TOWN REPORT 1963

NORTHFIELD

MASSACHUSETTS

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REGIONAL
VOCATIONAL • TECHNICAL
SCHOOL
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1963

To The Voters Of The Town Of Nor

In accordance with the vote
December 3, 1963 your moderator
represent Northfield on the Athol
Vocational School Planning Commi

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Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn U. True, Chairman
Walter W. Hyde
Robert P. Barnes

Regional Vocational-Technical School

The Regional Vocational-Technical Planning Committee for the Athol-Franklin County area has been meeting regularly since March. Before that time separate planning committees had been at work in the New Salem area and in the Greenfield area. With the Department of Education's announcement in January of the impending closing of New Salem Academy as a vocational school, the two planning groups agreed to join as one committee to promote a single regional vocational technical school for the Athol-Franklin County area.

Preliminary plans suggested a 750 pupil enrollment with the school to be located with easy access to Route 2. Present indications based on committee representation and regular attendance at meetings, indicate a fourteen town region is more realistic. Enrollment figures based on the following 14 towns: Athol, Charlement, Conway, Erving, Greenfield, Leverett, Montague, New Salem, Orange, Shutesbury, Sunderland, Warwick, Whately, and Petersham would suggest a 550 pupil school would be adequate.

The general attitude of the communities toward Vocational Education is perhaps the key to both the work we have accomplished and what remains to be done. For any vocational school to be successful there must be business and industrial leaders ready and willing to provide placement opportunities for its graduates. Perhaps even more important is the attitude of the school administrators and the area citizens. Administrators cannot expect a vocational school to serve as a dumping ground for the area's discipline problems or students who could not profit from the program. Neither can the parents look with disdain at the students who attend this school if a regional vocational-technical school is to succeed. The Honorable Silvio O. Conte, Massachusetts 1st District member of the House of Representatives is a graduate of Pittsfield Vocational School – and proud of it!

Some of the work the Planning Committee has been doing since June includes an analysis of trades and occupations in the area--what people do for work and where they are employed. The various existing and planned school building programs have been studied to determine how these factors would affect a proposal for a vocational school. Present and projected school enrollments have been studied, as well as present course offerings in the various schools. Business and industry have been contacted to determine their needs and from all these a tentative curriculum is being prepared for analysis. The determination of courses offered will influence the cost, the reimbursements, area needed for the school and perhaps the towns interested in joining the region.

Some of you, already burdened by high school costs, probably are wondering why this area should consider a vocational school. There are pupils in every community who are disinterested in any of the offerings of the local high school. By aptitude, desire, or by ability many of these students are qualified to train in many fields for employment in industry. At the present moment some of these pupils are enrolled at New Salem Academy, Greenfield Vocational School, Smith's School in Northampton, Holyoke Trade School, Springfield Trade School, Worcester Trade and even the Charles McCann Regional Vocational School in North Adams on a tuition basis. Frequently students are unable to enroll in the course they prefer for tuition pupils are accepted for specific courses only after local students have been enrolled. All too often the larger schools such as Springfield and Worcester cannot accept tuition students for lack of space. Students, then, who desire vocational-technical training but cannot be enrolled in a trade school frequently take a general course in the local high school, and, if graduated, join the nation's bulging group of unskilled, untrained workers. Unfortunately, this group constitutes over one-third of the nation's unemployed.

It has been established by adequate study and by actual operation that the establishment of many small schools in many small communities is neither practical nor financially sound. Under such a system the variety of courses is severely limited. The administration and teaching in these schools vary according to the strengths and interests of the staff. Equipment costs are duplicated as are many other costs. The real answer to providing good vocational and technical education lies within the establishment of a regional vocational school, located centrally to several towns, to which member towns can send their vocationally apt students to receive, along with the normal academic requirements for high school graduation, extensive training in their chosen field of special concentration for direct entrance into profitable employment in the industrial life of the community.

This would be just one phase of the vocational story. Experience has shown that day school enrollments are only one phase of the vocational program. A regional vocational-technical school will provide opportunites for the upgrading of skills for workers presently employed, retraining of the unemployed, instruction to those entered in apprentice programs in industry, and post-graduate training as technicians. Thus a regional vocational-technical school with its diversified curriculum could become a year-round facility for educating not just the young people in the area, but those of us who find that automation and other factors have changed our earning capacity.

The Vocational Education Act presently under discussion by the U. S. Congress, has allocated federal funds to promote vocational education with the stipulation that certain amounts must be used to build area vocational schools. Many of the federal funds allocated for education must be matched by equal amounts expended in the State and many times projects currently underway qualify as matching funds. Certainly with the vocational program currently underway in Massachusetts matching funds will not be a problem. It is well to remember, too, that no matter how we feel as individuals about federal funds to education, a certain amount of money has been allocated for federal aid to vocational education. If a state does not use its alloted funds, some other state will apply for an additional allocation for its program. To refuse to participate will not help your income tax or mine, -it will just provide some other community or some other state additional funds. State funds come from you and from me -- federal funds allocated to Massachusetts must be spent by this state within a certain time limit or they will be available to Connecticut, New York, etc.

A vocational school is organized on a week-in and week-out basis, that is, one full week is spent in the shop and the alternate week is spent in the classroom pursuing related and academic subjects. In this way, the student receives not only practical experience in shop activities and the mathematics, science and drawing needed to make him a more valuable worker, but is educated in those cultural subjects that make him an intelligent citizen. This can truly be called balanced education and the graduate who has applied himself diligently to his school work is well equipped to take his place among the men in industry.

The projects carried on in the shops are of commercial standards, and the tolerances allowed in measurements are as limited as those in industry. No practice work is carried on, all products must have some specific use. A limited amount of practice work is carried on in the related science providing an opportunity for students to become acquainted with tools, equipment and specific operations before they are confronted with them in the shops.

The following outline on which courses are built will perhaps explain the typical curriculum offerng in the various trades:

CURRICULA

The following curricula is tentative, and subject to change if conditions in industry make change advisable. However, it is the outline on which the courses will be built to improve the vocational school program.

Clock hours include time for passing to the next class

MACHINE

SHOP WORK —
30 clock hours
ACADEMIC —
15 clock hours
alternate weeks

English
United States History
Civics
Speech
Human Relations
Physical Education
Science

The above subjects are offered at different year and grade levels.

RELATED SUBJECTS —
15 clock hours
alternate weeks

Related Science —
5 one hour periods
Related Math. —
5 one hour periods
Related Drawing —
5 one hour periods

PRINT

SHOP WORK —
30 clock hours
ACADEMIC —
15 clock hours
alternate weeks

English
United States History
Civics
Speech
Human Relations
Physical Education
Science

The above subjects are offered at different year and grade levels.

RELATED SUBJECTS —
15 clock hours
alternate weeks

Related Science —
6 one hour periods
Related Math. —
4 one hour periods
Design —
4 one hour periods
Related English —
1 one hour period

AUTOMOBILE	HOUSE CARPENTRY
SHOP WORK —	SHOP WORK —
30 clock hours	alternate weeks
alternate weeks	30 clock hours
ACADEMIC —	ACADEMIC —
15 clock hours	15 clock hours
alternate weeks	alternate weeks
English	English
United States History	United States History
Civics	Civics
Speech	Speech
Human Relations	Human Relations
Science	Science
Physical Education	Physical Education
The above subjects offered at different year and grade levels.	The above subjects offered at different year and grade levels.
RELATED SUBJECTS —	RELATED SUBJECTS —
15 clock hours	15 clock hours
alternate weeks	alternate weeks
Related Science —	Related Science —
8 one-hour periods	5 one-hour periods
Related Math —	Related Math —
5 one-hour periods	5 one-hour periods
2 one-hour periods	Related Drawing —
Related Drawing —	5 one-hour periods

The vocational agriculture and vocational home economics courses do not have the related subjects of some of the trades hence more class hours are available for academic subjects. Typical course offerings in addition to the vocational program for a two week period are:

LIST OF ACADEMIC COURSES, VOCATIONAL HOME ECONOMICS

Subject	Hours	Subject	Hours
Grade 9		Grade 10	
English	10	English	10
General Science	5	Biology	10
Consumer Economics (Econ. Geog.)	5	Math	5
Math	5	Personal Typing	5
Personal Typing	5	Physical Education	2
Physical Education	2	Music	1
Music	1		
Grade 11		Grade 12	
English	10	English	10
Elementary Bookkeeping	5	Chemistry	10
Junior Science	5	Elementary Bookkeeping	5
Math	5	Problems of Democracy	5
U. S. History	10	Physical Education	3
Physical Education	3	Music	1
Music	1		

LIST OF ACADEMIC COURSES, VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

Subject	Hours	Subject	Hours
Grade 9		Grade 10	
English	10	English	10
General Science	10	Math	5
Consumer Economics (Econ. Geog.)	5	Biology	10
Math	10	Personal Typing	5
Physical Education	3	Physical Education	3
		World Events	5
Grade 11		Grade 12	
English	10	English	10
Math	5	Problems of Democracy	5
U. S. History	10	General Chemistry	10
Personal Typing	5	Math	5
Science	5	Personal Typing	5
Physical Education	3	Physical Education	3

In the related instruction areas, the necessary technical knowledge for carrying on a trade, up to and including the work of foreman is provided. In the machine course, for example, instruction is provided in bench work, drill press, lathe (engine and turret), milling machine, shaper and planer, surface grinder, cylindrical grinder and heat treating. In the house carpentry course, instruction is provided in form work, cabinet making, rough and finished work, and bench work.

A Vocational School has for its objective the training for profitable employment, and in those communities where the majority of the workers are employed in industry, should be beneficial to the boys and girls who are interested in training for the future. Training in skills and good work habits, learning to operate the machines and tools of industry. knowing how to use the measuring and testing devices of industry, learning to apply mathematics,science and drawing to the job to be done, as well as education in English, social studies and other cultural subjects make the earnest vocational graduate a valuable apprentice for the employer and usually cuts down the term of apprenticeship considerably.

Curriculum studies point out the critical need for decision as soon as possible by each town in the Athol-Franklin County area as to their final position in the formation of a regional school district. Courses to be offered depend on the pupil enrollment which of course fluctuates with the varying combinations of towns. The original estimate of a 750 pupil school is based on 5% of the net average membership as submitted to the Department of Education in the June 1962 annual reports. The potential enrollment of 750 pupils was based on a 25 town combination. Suggested courses and estimated enrollment figures for a 750 pupil school are:

Grades 9 or 10 - 12:

Courses	Boys-Girls	Enrolment
Auto Body Repair	B	40
Auto Mechanics	B	60
Carpentry (House & Mill)	B	40
Data Processing Operator	G-B	20
Electricity	B	40
Electronics (Basic)	G-B	40
Foods Trades	G-B	40
Homemaking (2 years)	G	60
Graphic Arts	G-B	40
Machine Shop Practices Inspection Room	B	70
Metal Fabrication	B	40
Plant Maintenance	B	40
Vo-Agriculture	G-B	40
Part-time Cooperative in 12th year in Machine, Drafting, etc.	G-B	20
Distributive Education	G-B	20
(Reimbursed only in 12th grade)		
Totals (Grades 9 or 10-12)		610
Grade 13:		
Medical Laboratory Assistant	G-B	20
Medical Assistant	G	20
Totals (Grade 13)		650
(Heavy Equipment)		
Grades 13 & 14:		
Diesel Engine (2 years auto)	B	20
Advanced Electronics	G-B	20
Machine Design	G-B	20
Data Processing Programmer	G-B	20
Hydraulics	B	20
Grand Totals		750

The cost analysis for such a school which would accomodate the towns of Athol, Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Conway, Deerfield, Erving, Greenfield, Gill, Hawley, Heath, Leverett, Leyden, Monroe, Montague, New Salem, Northfield, Orange, Rowe, Shelburne, Sunderland, Warwick, Wendell and Whately is based on an average figure of $17.00 per square foot. This would provide:

Total Shop Space	51,600 sq. ft.
Academic Rooms 7 @ 800 sq. ft.	5,600 sq. ft.
Related Rooms 19 @ 750 sq. ft.	14,250 sq. ft.
Gymnasium	8,000 sq. ft.
Locker Rooms and Athletic Storage	4,000 sq. ft.
Girls' Locker & Shower Area	1,000 sq. ft.
Reference Library	1,500 sq. ft.
Physics & Chemistry Laboratory	1,200 sq. ft.
Health Suite	600 sq. ft.
Administration	1,000 sq. ft.
Guidance Office	1,000 sq. ft.
Cafetorium	4,000 sq. ft.
Kitchen	1,500 sq. ft.
Teacher Lunch Room	800 sq. ft.
Boiler Room	1,200 sq. ft.
General Storage	2,000 sq. ft.
Visual Aids Storage	700 sq. ft.
Total	99,950 sq. ft.
Auxiliary rooms, corridors, toilets, etc. (25% of the above)	24,988 sq. ft.
	124,938 sq. ft.
124,938 sq. ft. x $17.00 =	$2,123,946.00
Equipment	284,000.00
Total cost of building and equipment =	$2,407,946.00 Plus site costs

Total Pupils — Grades 9 or 10 - 14 =	750
Shops	19
Related Rooms	19
Academic Rooms	7
Physics and Chemistry Laboratory	1
Library	1
	47 rooms, shops, gymnasium, cafetorium and administrative offices

COST WORK SHEET (750 Pupils)

1.	Total Estimated Construction Cost *	$ 2,400,000.
2.	Reimbursable Planning Costs	120,000.
3.	Adjusted Cost	2,280,000.
4.	Estimated State Construction Grant (40.00%)	912,000.
5.	Net Cost of Construction	1,368,000.
6.	Interest on Adjusted Cost @ 3½% for 20 years	837,900.
7.	Total Estimated Net Cost of Construction and Financing	2,205,900.

A cost work sheet for a 550 pupil school, again based on average membership in annual school reports would be:

1.	Total Estimated Construction Cost*	$ 1,760,000.
2.	Reimbursable Planning Costs	—88,000.
3.	Adjusted Cost	1,672,000.
4.	Estimated State Construction Grant (40.00%)	—668,800.
5.	Net Cost of Construction	1,003,200.
6.	Interest on Adjusted Cost @ 3½% for 20 years	614,460.
7.	Total Estimated Net Cost of Construction and Financing	1,617,660.

*Including equipment cost but excluding cost of land.

First year costs based on percentage of students from each town as compared to total number of students in the 14 towns would be:

First Year Costs			Shares		Effect on Tax Rate
Principal	$83,600.	Athol	(21.5%)	$23,366.	$1.67
Grant (1/20)	—33,440.	Charlemont	(1.7%)	1,848.	.51
		Conway	(1.7%)	1,848.	1.53
	$50,160.	Erving	(2.9%)	3,152.	1.34
Interest	58,520.	Greenfield	(29.6%)	32,169.	.83
		Leverett	(2.4%)	2,608.	2.35
Total	$108,680.	Montague	(17.7%)	19,236.	1.58
		New Salem	(.7%)	761.	1.69
		Orange	(13.2%)	14,346.	2.05
		Petersham	(2.0%)	2,173.	1.25
		Shutesbury	(.6%)	652.	.84
		Sunderland	(2.9%)	3,152.	1.06
		Warwick	(.9%)	978.	1.42
		Whately	(2.2%)	2,391.	1.35
				$108,680.	

Towns not presently involved in a regional school will receive an additional 15% reimbursement under Chapter 70. Colrain, Gill, Greenfield, Heath, Montague, New Salem, Rowe and Wendell are the only towns in the proposed area who would benefit.

Transportation to a regional vocational school will be reimbursed one hundred per cent as compared to the fifty per cent reimbursement presently received on vocational students. Operating costs would be apportioned according to the school enrollment as of October 1st of this year. Capital costs are now figured on a per pupil basis as compared to real estate valuation which was used when some of the regional high schools in the area were built.

Before these costs can be finalized there are several important factors to consider. Industrial and business leaders have established firmly the need for vocational education in this area. Guidance directors and school administrators for the most part are strongly in favor of such a program. The experience of the regional vocational schools now in operation points out a school spirit and a pride in the program not currently enjoyed by students tuitioned to another town or, as in Greenfield, a part of a larger school. The school spirit developed in the various regional high schools in the area indicates its importance to the students.

Within the next few months it must be determined which towns are interested in participating in a vocational regional school district. The districts which included a city were required to request an enabling act be passed by the Massachusetts General Court to allow the city to participate in a regional school. All the information available at this time indicates that the Athol-Franklin County area would not be permitted special legislation, but would be expected to act under Chapter 71 of the General Laws. Under section 14B of this chapter, while alternate proposals for a vocational regional school district may be studied, in the final analysis an Agreement is drawn naming the specific combination of towns to be included. If one of these towns rejects the Agreement the proposal for a district is lost. It is hoped that community sentiment can be ascertained before a final agreement and cost apportionment is worked out so that the Committee will not have to start from scratch if a key community withdraws just before the Agreement is presented to the towns. Once a Regional School District is established, the Regional School District Committee would prepare the plans for the Regional School for final approval in each member municipality.

There are several aspects to be considered when asked to vote on the formation of a district:

1. Present amount expended for tuition and transportation town's vocational students--or in the case of Greenfield and New Salem, per pupil costs in present vocational school.
2. Number of students interested in vocational technical training but not eligible for lack of space.
3. Effect on enrollment in area high schools, and therefore effect on building programs of high schools.
4. Additional Chapter 70 aid available to certain towns.
5. Opportunites made possible by sharing in an area program that no one town can provide--both for boys and girls and adults.
6. Each member town will have a voice in the curriculum, expenditures, etc.,- something not available when students attend schools on a tuition basis.

It is as important to know which towns are not interested in participating as it is to know which towns will join. Some provision can be made in determining anticipated enrollment for a few tuition pupils. It is not likely that the School Building Assistance Commission will approve planning for a large number of tuition pupils. Present figures obtained from directors of the Area vocational schools indicate that in the future fewer tuition students will be accepted rather than more. The School Building Assistance Commission has indicated any town with a large vocational enrollment at the present time should expect to shoulder its share of the burden by becoming an active member of the vocational regional school district.

The closing of certain operations in the industries in the area undoubtedly will create a severe hardship for many of us. Rather than dwell on the loss of revenue and income to the area it is the hope of the vocational planning committee that a retraining program under the Federal Manpower Development and Training Act of 1962 can be established. A series of amendments to the unemployment compensation benefit law were made so that an unemployed person taking a vocational training course could be considered "available for work" and therefore eligable to receive unemployment compensation benefits while in training. This is but one of the many services a regional vocational school will provide the Athol-Franklin County area. We hope you will give it your support!

Submitted By Athol - Franklin County Area Planning Committee

Athol – Mrs. Ronald C. Pryor
Dr. Dana Warner
Mrs. Evelyn King
Charlemont – Mr. Gerald Raymond
Mrs. Phyllis Carlson
Mr. D. A. Lanoue
Conway – Mrs. Spencer Holden
Mr. Leland Totman
Mr. Russell Burnett Jr.
Deerfield – Mr. Robert Ferriter
Mr. Arthur Rogers
Mr. Fred Clark
Erving – Mr. Morton A. Slavin
Mr. Charles B. Richards
Mr. Hervey Cole
Greenfield – Mr. Peter J. Sullivan
Mr. James Hanley
Mr. Herbert Darling
Leverett – Mrs. D. J. Hankinson
Mr. Kenneth Williams
Montague – Mr. Sidney Cohen
Mr. Camille Paulin
Mr. Joseph Laramie
New Salem – Mr. Robert Henderson
Mr. Elbridge Dunbar
Mr. Ward M. Hunting
Orange – Miss Edith Goodspeed
Mrs. Ludwig Augustine
Mrs. Ellsworth Songer
Petersham – Mrs. Clifford Upham
Mr. John Crowson
Mr. Philip Amidon
Sunderland – Mr. George Boulden Jr.
Mr. Michael P. Telega
Mrs. Edward C. Warner
Warwick – Mr. Albert Alden Jr.
Mr. J. Norman Durkee
Mr. Oscar Doane Jr.
Whately – Mr. Richard S. Hannum
Mrs. Harold Cadieux
Mr. Chester Pielock

Mrs. Mary E. Warner, Chairman

Mr. Oscar Doane, Jr., Vice Chairman

Mrs. Virginia C. Pryor, Secretary

Mr. Ralph E. Packard, Co-ordinator –
Director Greenfield Vocational School

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Cover Picture

The present Town Hall was built in 1927 with A. B. Stanhope, architect, and Taylor and Wheeler Corp., contractors. This building replaced a wooden building which burned in 1924. The cost of construction was $38,577 in 1927 and $6,260 for grading and furnishing in 1928. The seats and other furnishings were made at the Concord Reformatory. Fred A .Holton was Chairman of Selectmen; Charles A. Parker and Frank H. Montague were other members of the Board.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Slate shown here was built in about 1915 for Harry Bristol by Edgar Aldrich. Mr. Bristol used the cellar for a plumbing shop and the first floor for a store, selling plumbing and heating equipment and supplies. Later he used only the basement and rented the entire first floor for the Post Office which was moved here from the Webster block. About 1935 the Post Office moved to its present location. For about three years a man making rugs moved in machinery and manufactured and sold rugs here.

The building was purchased by the Slates in 1940 and after renovations has continued as their home. During this time Mr. Slate has been tax collector and town treasurer for about twenty-five years, finishing in 1962. He is still the janitor of the Town Hall as he has been for many years.

Charles Leach, the artist from whose painting the cover is reproduced, is a well-known citizen of Northfield. He was born here and educated in Northfield and Mount Hermon schools. He attended New England School of Art in Boston and teaches painting as well as selling many landscapes and seascapes. He had exhibits at the 1953 Regional Show at the Springfield Museum of Fine Arts and he painted several murals at Hinsdale Raceway.

The original painting has been given to the town by Mr. Leach and will be hung in the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Elected Town Officers

MARCH 1963 TO MARCH 1964

MODERATOR

Edgar J. Livingston

TOWN CLERK

Horace F. Field

TOWN TREASURER

Helen Gorzocoski

SELECTMEN

Corys M. Heselton, Chairman	Term expires March 1964
Robert B. Shearer	Term expires March 1965
Dwight P. Stearns	Term expires March 1966

ASSESSORS

Lee H. Sheldon	Term expires March 1964
Clifford A. Field, Chairman	Term expires March 1965
Winthrop E. Spencer, Clerk	Term expires March 1966

TAX COLLECTOR

Gordon W. Leavis	Term expires March 1964

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Evelyn U. True	Term expires March 1964
Elizabeth L. Bolton	Term expires March 1965
Norma A. Stearns	Term expires March 1966

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Carolyn B. Parenteau	Term expires March 1964
Charles W. Llewelyn	Term expires March 1965

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Jean P. Hathaway	Term expires March 1964
William H. Hawley	Term expires March 1964
Dorothy L. Miller	Term expires March 1965
Luman A. Barber	Term expires March 1965
Lillian G. Wells	Term expires March 1966
Donald Q. McCollester	Term expires March 1966

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Owen Stacy	Term expires March 1964
Horace F. Field	Term expires March 1965
Walter R. Clark	Term expires March 1966

TREE WARDEN

Joseph Bilmon	Term expires March 1964

CONSTABLES

Paul E. Chamberlain	Term expires March 1965
Joseph G. Morgan	Term expires March 1965
Niles E. Stone	Term expires March 1965
William J. Young	Term expires March 1965

PLANNING BOARD

L. Percy Goodspeed	Term expires March 1964
Harvey H. Hathaway	Term expires March 1965
Edward M. Powell, Sr.	Term expires March 1966
Raymond A. Kinmouth	Term expires March 1967
Harold Newton	Term expires March 1968

FINANCE BOARD

APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

John F. Smith, Chairman	Term expires March 1964
Paul B. Thompson	Term expires March 1964
Frank Bordner	Term expires March 1965
Donald T. Snow	Term expires March 1965
Albert W. Stompe	Term expires March 1966
Aaron W. Newton	Term expires March 1966

COMMITTEE TO STUDY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

Evelyn U. True
Walter W. Hyde
Robert P. Barnes

SUMMER PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

William H. Hawley
Elizabeth D. Scott
Dorothy M. Hammond

Appointments by Selectmen for 1964

ACCOUNTANT

Helen M. Stearns — Term expires July 1964

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Howard E. Williams

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Eugene Miller
Philip Mann, Jr.
Paul Carpenter

ACTING POLICE CHIEF

Stanley T. Wickey

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

Paul E. Chamberlain
Niles E. Stone
Albert Weissinger
Joseph G. Morgan
Wallace Stange
William J. Young

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Albert Weissinger — Term expires April 1964

GYPSY MOTH AGENT

Joseph S. Bilmon

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Robert L. Huber
Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.
Leon H. Dunnell
Frank F. Kelley
James McCollister
Dorothy Bogusz
Ralph Sargent
Edward Dwight
Edward Burniske
Dominick Ferrante
Donald Smith
Arthur Brown

INSPECTOR OF MEAT AND SLAUGHTERING

Leonard W. Barnes

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Frank J. Rockwell

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Gilbert S. Hammond — Term expires April 1964

FENCE VIEWERS

James E. Dresser
Roger E. Bassett
Laurence M. Hammond

FIELD DRIVERS

Leonard C. Streeter
James E. Dresser, Jr.
Joseph J. Bartus
Fredd M. Fuller
Robert L. Gibson
Martin Fritz
Paul Gorzocoski
Edward C. Bolton

POUND KEEPER

Leonard C. Streeter

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND TIMBER

James E. Dresser
Fred I. Bolton

DOG OFFICER

Leonard C. Streeter

FOREST WARDEN

Joseph S. Bilmon

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Laurence M. Hammond	Term expires 1965
Clayton H. Glazier	Term expires 1966
Chalmers Reed	Term expires 1967

ELECTION OFFICERS

James R. Dale
Helen Greene
Flora C. Abbey
Catherine Gilbert
Helen M. Stearns
Harrison Stacy
Ann P. James
Edward M. Powell, Jr.

SUBSTITUTE ELECTION OFFICERS

Minnie Skinner
Mary L. Holton
Eleanor A. Hammond
Edith Smolen

1964 Jury List

Chalmers Reed
Carroll H. Miller
Hazel Powers
Dana P. Clough
Walter W. Hyde
Marion A. Holbrook
Edward H. Powell, Sr.
Fred G. Avery
Blanche R. Bilmon
Owen Stacey
Harlan E. Randall
Joseph M. Mankowsky
Alice Mosse
Pearl B. Allen
Gladys C. Bistrek
Grace T. Young
Warner H. Smith
Elizabeth M. Newton
Martin G. Fritz
Harold D. Williams
Watson E. Black
Virginia M. Koonz
Carl J. Stone
Erma M. Knapp
Walter Wozniak

Selectmen's Report for 1963

The sander, sander frame, road rake and sweeper purchased during the year have enabled the Highway Dept. to complete their work much faster and more effectively with less summer help.

The Chapter 90 construction on the Gulf Road went very good this year. The using of Chapter 782 funds in addition to the Chapter 90 funds enabled us to relocate the road and brook where much ledge and rock had to be moved. We feel that the Chapter 822 funds available should be used in addition to the Chapter 90 funds there next year.

During the year the General Court amended the Plumbing Code to make it mandatory that towns of over 2000 population adopt an approved plumbing code. We have appointed a committee to write this code for the town.

The Sewerage survey loan was applied for and received. Tighe and Bond were engaged to perform the survey for the town.

The traffic by-laws and regulations were drawn up and have been referred to the state for approval.

During the year it became necessary to replace the fire curtain on the stage of the Town Hall. This we did, and feel quite satisfied with the newer curtain.

We wish to thank everyone who contacted us about problems of the town. This notification brings to our attention items which might not be noticed otherwise.

Respectfully submitted,

CORYS M. HESELTON, Chr.

ROBERT B. SHEARER

DWIGHT P. STEARNS

Board of Selectmen

Town Clerk's Report

It is extremely important the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that correction may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1963

Date	Name	Parents
January, 1963		
5	Berthiaume, Robin Sue	James R. and Elizabeth F.
16	Holran, Jill Caldwell	Bruce G. and Carolyn C.
26	Arsenault, David Ernest	Edward E. and Meredith R.
February		
24	DeGrenier, Patricia Ann	Francis A. and Judith D.
26	Mello, Melinda Annette	George E. and Judith A.
March		
23	King, Juanita Jane	John J. and Barbara W.
28	Deacon, Debra Jean	Paul C. and Patricia M.
April		
4	Farrar, Marsha Leigh	Robert P. and Mary N.
22	Kennedy, Kim Susan	William H. and Marion S.
26	Kozma, Teresa Rose	Stephen and Marita O.
May		
5	Stange, Barbara Louise	Wallace E. and Eleanor A.
14	Carpenter, Walter Arthur	Arthur W. and Ruth A.
17	Fowler, Mark Christopher	Norman F. and Ethel D.
19	Ware, David John	John D. and Shirley L.
June		
8	Messer, Richard Paul	William S. and Patricia J.
13	Wood, Ruth Palmer	Jerome H. and Sally H.
28	Holloway, Richard Lee	Roger E. and Phyllis J.

August

21	Wiegerink, Robin Lea	Ronald and Margery A.
23	Roberts, Susan Louise	William G. and Joyce W.
30	Deane, John Gregory	Roland E. and Eleanor M.

September

15	Knapp, David Wayne	Richard E. and Kathryn L.

October

8	Severance, Stephen Davenport	Irwin, M. Jr., and Alice J.
21	Billiel, Thomas Joseph	Frederick J. and Helen L.
26	Arsenault, Diane Marie	Fred W. and Dorothy M.
31	Avery, Robin Marie	Fred A. and Delores R.

November

22	Johnson, Althea May	Ronald A. and Bonnie May

December

8	Conway, Simone Marie	Richard E. and Carolyn F.
13	Weston, Kim Marie	John F. and Rose M.
22	Colby, Kelly Susan	Robert J. and Frances W.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1963

Date	Name and Residence	Place of Marriage
FEBRUARY		
? 14	Lombard, George Reed, Northfield, Mass. Miller, Emeline Louise (Day), Gill, Mass.	Gill
? 17	Holton, Clifford Philip, Washington, D. C. ✓ Lawrence, Lillian Frances (Hepler), Arlington, Va.	Northfield
✓ 23	Shearer, Thomas Robert, Northfield, Mass. Grover, Patricia Ellen, Bernardston	Bernardston
✓ MARCH		
✓ 9	Wirth, Raymond Carl, Erving, Mass. Silvonic, Norma Eileen (Leach), Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
✓ 30	Bubar, Paul Luther, Orange, N. J. Swanson, Shirley Jean, East Orange, N. J.	Northfield
✓ APRIL		
✓ 28	Knapp, Richard Edward, Northfield, Mass. Smith, Kathryn Leslie, Vernon, Vermont	Vernon, Vt.

? no original record

MAY

✓ 10	Aldrich, Everett Neal, Northfield, Mass. Bassett, Beatrice Emily, Northfield, Mass.	Vernon, Vt.

JUNE

✓ 1	Collier, Wayne Gordon, Hartford, Vermont Browning, Rachel Fay, Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
✓ 8	Donovan, Jeremiah C., Greenfield, Mass. Bliss, Janet M., Bernardston, Mass.	Northfield
✓ 15	Walker, Richard James, Northfield, Mass. Kittredge, Arlene June, Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
✓ 21	Keech, William Legh, Castleton, Vermont Matte, Dorothy Mary, Whitehall, New York	Greenfield

JULY

✓ 13	Coughlan, Peter, Argyle, New York Judd, Nancy Ruth, Northfield, Mass.	Montague

AUGUST

✓ 3	Allen, James Clayton, Northfield, Mass. Allen, Lillian Florence (Dawe), Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
✓ 4	Jacoby, Bernard, Buffalo, New York Thompson, Lynne Blackmore, Fullerton, Calif.	Northfield
? 8	Rabideau, Wayne Edward, Greenfield, Mass. Brice, Judith Ann, Northfield, Mass.	Greenfield
? 11	True, John Josiah Bartlett, Northfield, Mass. Schouler, Jane, Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
✓ 17	Lavender, Paul A., Brattleboro, Vermont Slater, Brenda E., Northfield, Mass.	Vernon, Vt.
✓ 24	Miller, David Alan, Northfield, Mass. Bentley, Rene Mae, Vernon, Vermont	Vernon, Vt.

SEPTEMBER

✓ 28	Piper, Jackson Rhode, Warrenton, Va. Ellis, Virginia Louise, Brattleboro, Vermont	Northfield
✓ 30	Marsh, Roland James Jr., Northfield, Mass. Mitchell, Shirley Ann, Greenfield, Mass.	Greenfield

OCTOBER

✓ 5	Ross, Richard Leon, Northfield, Mass. Smith, Candida Lovett, Newton, Mass.	North Center, Mass.
✓ 12	Maddern, Philip Wesley, Gill, Mass. Helbig, Susan Diane, Northfield, Mass.	Turners Falls

NOVEMBER

✓ 2	Hamm, Robert Henry, Athol, Mass. Thayer, Anne Elsie, Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
✓ 29	Gratto, Eugene Jarvis, North Swanzey, N. H. Canterbury, Bertha Agnes (Raymond), Keene, N. H.	Northfield

DECEMBER

✓ 19	Crocker, John Franklin, Milton, Mass. Rowland, Helena (McDade), Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
✓ 21	Miller, Ralph Edward, Northfield, Mass. Hopkins, Donna Louise (Peabody), Conway, Mass.	Deerfield
✓ 27	Mann, Jack Gordon, Northfield, Mass. Boliski, Angela Elizabeth Ann, Northfield, Mass.	Greenfield
✓ 28	Boyd, Ernest Raymond Jr., Brattleboro, Vt. Porter, Lorraine Edna, Northfield, Mass.	Northfield
✓ 28	Hurd, Ronald Edward, Montague, Mass. Fisher, Emma Grace, Montague, Mass.	Northfield
? 28	Hurlbut, Alan Wayne, Wayne, Michigan Holbrook, Judith Carol, Northfield, Mass.	Northfield

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1963

Date	Name	Age Years	Months	Days
January				
8	Cornell, Grace Corwin	94	5	21
10	Hammond, Murray M.	72	5	22
10	Montignani, Marie Lanney	82	9	16
26	Barlow, George	78	11	26
30	Douglass, Gaylord W.	86	6	26
February				
5	Bigelow, Dorothy Putnam	65	1	23
13	Abbey, Minnie (Hubbard)	93	9	0
March				
30	Seeley, Alice Smyth	64	1	14
April				
27	Spaulding, Clarence H.	72		
May				
2	Bishop, Samuel Rogers	91	8	15
11	Porter, Phillip	81	1	11

June				
3	Lowd, Harry S.	77		
13	Stanley, Marina Pattison	81	1	7
7	Brann, Mercy A.	89	8	18
20	Bilmon, Ignace Joseph	79	4	22
22	Rice, Leslie Smith	70	11	19
July				
1	Strom, Mathias W.	69	7	25
15	Thayer, Leroy Russell	78	4	4
August				
10	Streeter, Madeline Newton	43	11	2
16	Chrysler, Mintin Asbury	91	11	21
20	Moody, Mary Whittle	93	5	—
28	Johnson, Abbie	85	—	—
September				
8	Leach, Olive Pierce	74	10	21
13	McCastline, Robert	91	6	23
15	Lernatowitz, Mary Pudlik	69	8	9
25	Demers, Ida Mae (Corbin) Rogers	91	9	28
25	Purcell, Lura A. Bell	73	2	16
October				
25	Aldrich, Fred Charles	71	1	3
27	Cates, Rex M.	69	4	23
28	Gilmore, Alice Mandell	87	2	—
28	Holton, Philip C.	61	3	10
November				
6	Dresser, Lilla (Rawson)	95	1	10
7	Guhse', Mott Paul	49	—	18

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1963

Male Dogs	131
Female	16
Female (Spayed)	81
Special Kennel ($10.00)	6
Special Kennel ($25.00)	1

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED IN 1963

Resident Fishing	83
Resident Hunting	119
Resident Sporting	77

Resident Minor Fishing	31
Resident Women's Fishing	29
7 Day Non-Resident Fishing	7
Non-Resident Fishing	25
Alien Fishing	0
Resident Minor Trapping	0
Resident Trapping	1
Non-Resident Hunting	14
Archery Deer Stamp	3
Resident Sporting (Free)	17
Duplicate	9
Res. Citizens Fishing (Free)	1

OTHER LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED IN 1963

Alcohol (Methyl)	3
Auctioneer	2
Auctioneer (Temporary)	1
Common Victualler	5
Gasoline	6
Innholder	1
Junk	0
Milk	6
Oleomargarine	1

COPY OF THE VOTES TAKEN AT THE

Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 4, 1963

ELECTION

The inhabitants of the Town of Northfield came to the Town Hall in answer to the call of the warrant. The meeting was called to order and the warrant for the election was read by the Town Clerk.

The polls were opened at ten o'clock and were closed at eight o'clock and it was determined that 480 votes had been cast.

The results were as follows:

Town Clerk, one year	
Horace F. Field	456
Blanks	24

Town Treasurer, one year	
Helen B. Gorzocoski	278
George L. Payne	77
Grace T. Young	119
Blanks	6
Moderator, one year	
Edgar J. Livingston	416
Blanks	64
Selectman, three years	
Dwight P. Stearns	428
Blanks	52
Assessor, three years	
Winthrop E. Spencer	419
Blanks	61
Tax Collector, one year	
Gordon W. Leavis	263
Philip M. Mann, Jr.	212
Blanks	5
School Committee, three years	
Norma A. Stearns	411
Raymond A. Tillson	1
Blanks	68
Library Trustees (2)	
Donald Q. McCollester	303
Florence H. Phelps	252
Lillian G. Wells	261
Blanks	144
Cemetery Commissioner, three years	
Richard H. Bassett	101
Walter R. Clark	301
Thomas J. Russell, Jr.	53
Blanks	25
Constable (Northfield Farms)	
Homer F. Browning, Jr.	194
William J. Young	267
Blanks	19
P. V. R. S. District Committee	
Charles W. Llewelyn	428
Blanks	52

Planning Board, five years	
Harold A. Newton	427
Blanks	53

Planning Board, four years	
Raymond A. Kinmonth	414
Blanks	66

Planning Board, three years	
Edward M. Powell	411
Blanks	69

After the announcement of the results, the meeting was closed, to be reopened on Tuesday, March 5, 1963, in accordance with the warrant.

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk

Copy of the Votes taken at the

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 5, 1963

Approximately one hundred twenty-five persons assembled in accordance with the warrant as posted, to conduct the business of the annual town meeting. The moderator, Mr. Edgar J. Livingston, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. on the evening of March 5. The moderator directed that the reading of the warrant be waived. Mr. James R. Dale and Mrs. Helen M. Stearns were appointed to serve as tellers.

The following motion was made by the Moderator, seconded and adopted unanimously.

I move that should we not be able to complete voting on all articles in the warrant by 12 p.m. that this meeting be adjourned at that hour to reconvene the following evening, March 6, at 8:00 p.m. in the Town Hall to complete voting on any remaining articles.

The consideration of the articles in the warrant resulted as follows:

Article 1. As it was stated by the Moderator that no action need be taken on the reports as printed in the Town report, no action was taken under this Article.

Article 2. Voted: That the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1963, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws: any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1963.

Article 3. Voted: That the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. Voted: That the Town will fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended.

Selectmen		School Committee	
Chairman	$375 00	Each Member	$100 00
Other Members	325 00	P.V.R.S. Committee	
Welfare Board		Each Member	100 00
Chairman	125 00	Moderator	25 00
Other Members	75 00	Treasurer	1000 00
Assessors		Tax Collector	1000 00
Each Member	300 00	Town Clerk	550 00

Article 5. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town charges.

Moderator salary	$25 00
Expense	15 00
Selectmen and Welfare Board	1300 00
Expense	600 00
Town Accountant Salary	1050 00
Expense	85 00
Constable Pay, Exp. & Equip.	1300 00
Fire Dept. Salaries	500 00
Operating Acct.	2550 00
Water Holes	400 00
Public Safety	50 00
Treasurer Salary	1000 00
Expense	450 00
Assessors Salary	900 00
Expense	350 00
Tax Collectors Salary	1000 00
Expense	700 00

Finance Committee Expense	25 00
Town Clerk Salary	550 00
Expense	100 00
School Committee Salary	300 00
P. V. R. S. Committee Salary	300 00
Planning Board Expense	150 00
Wire Inspector	50 00
Sealer of W. & M. Salary and Expenses	200 00
Dog Officer Salary and Expense	100 00
Nurse and Substitute	3200 00
Expense	75 00
Car Expense	200 00
Highway Supt. Expense	200 00
Highway Dept. Sick Leave, Vacation and Holidays	1000 00
Fence Viewers, Field Drivers and Pound Keeper	50 00
Fire Station Bonds Maturing Debt	3000 00
Interest	828 00
Fire & Casualty Ins.	7100 00
Elementary Schools	124076 00
P.V.R.S.D. Capital Budget	23460 00
P.V.R.S.D. Operating Budget	111355 00
Maintenance Athletic Field	400 00
General Relief	4000 00
Old Age Assistance	15000 00
Aid to Dependent Children	4000 00
Disability Assistance	1000 00
Medical Assistance to Aged	15000 00
Soldiers Relief	2750 00
Legal Expense	250 00
Tree Trim and Plant	1200 00
Elections and registrations	1000 00
Town Hall Maintenance	5000 00
Town Garage and Fire Station Maintenance	1900 00
Tools for Highway Work	100 00
Snow Removal	11000 00
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans and Street Listings	100 00
Public Health	1500 00
Inspection of Animals	200 00
Insp. Meat & Slaughter	50 00
Alexander Hall	250 00
Interest	300 00
Land Damages	950 00
Town Clock	100 00
Town Reports	940 82
Foreclosure Cost Tax Titles	50 00

Prot. Tax Title Property	25 00
Memorial & Veterans Day Observance	275 00
Mach. Main. Acct. (Transfer from Road Mach. Fund)	6600 00

At this point, the following resolution was read by Mr. William H. Hawley: Be it resolved that the Selectmen and the Assessors of the Town of Northfield consider ways and means of bringing to the attention of the State Legislature through their respective Associations and appropriate county officials and other agencies, the necessity for the State Legislature to provide more funds for the Town to meet expenditures required by legislature, such as the mandatory teachers' minimum pay standard and related costs, which must now be met chiefly by means of the local property tax.

Be it further resolved that immediate relief is necessary if towns such as Northfield are to meet their routine obligations and at the same time provide for additional burdens imposed by the Legislature.

Be it finally resolved that a copy of this resolution be furnished the Selectmen and the assessors of said Town for their appropriate action.

Article 6: Voted: That the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as clerk of the Board and that the salary be $850.00 in accordance with the provisions of Section 4a, Chapter 41, of the General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 7. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $1300.00 for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and other miscellaneous equipment.

Article 8. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 to be used to combat Dutch Elm Disease.

Article 9. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for insect pest control.

Article 10. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Civil Defense Purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee.

Article 11. Voted: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of State Highways, and raise and appropriate the sum of $4950.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway repair and improvements, and that the sum of $18150.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated funds in the Treasury.

Article 12. Voted: That the sum of $37,014.80 be appropriated to meet the cost of Chapter 90, Highway Construction, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of $9014.80 be transferred from the proceeds from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the provisions of Chapter 782 of the Acts of 1962; that the sum of $7000.00 be appropriated by taxation; and that the sum of $21000.00 be transferred from "free cash" in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to the excess and deficiency account.

Article 13. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2000.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and in addition the sum of $4000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State and County share, the reimbursement upon its receipt to be restored to the unappropriated funds in the Treasury.

Article 14. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $3500.00 for bridges, railings and highway work.

Article 15. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1000.00 for the repair of existing sidewalks and for new construction.

Article 16. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $6586.00 for lighting streets.

Article 17. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms.

Article 18. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $6500.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 19. Voted: That the Town appropriate the money received from the County, known as the "Dog Fund" for the use of the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 20. Voted: That the Town accept any sum of money from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a grant providing state aid for free public libraries under the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 and that any such sum received is hereby appropriated for the use of such free public library or libraries as shall meet the minimum standards established by the Board of Library Commissioners under the provisions of said act.

Article 21. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $175.00 for repairs and maintenance of the Northfield Museum and Number Four School House.

Article 22. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 to finance a summer playground for the children of Northfield and authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to make provision for the same.

Article 23. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 24. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2300.00 for the care and preservation of cemeteries.

Article 25. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for hydrant service for 16 hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Company.

Article 26. Voted: To accept the report of the Committee appointed to study By-Laws and Traffic Regulations for the Town of Northfield, read by Mr. Paul Chamberlin. Report on file with the Town Clerk, and Committee discharged.

Article 27. Voted: That the Town accept the Planning Board's report on Sewage and that the Town accept the resolution concerning same. Report and Resolution on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 28. Voted: That the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Northfield, be and hereby are authorized to sell Lot No. 48 of Rustic Ridge, Tract No. 2 as shown on a plan of said Rustic Ridge, Tract No. 2 dated May 27, 1904 and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 1, Page 180, for such consideration and on such terms as the said Board of Selectmen shall determine and to execute and deliver a deed or deeds thereof to the purchaser or purchasers. The purpose of these deeds shall be to correct a vote taken under Article 9 of a Special Town Meeting held on September 20, 1962, wherein the aforesaid Lot was incorrectly described as Lot. No. 98.

Article 29. Voted: That the Town transfer the sum of $5,300.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to be used to purchase a sander body and frame for removal and storage, power sweeper, and grader rake to be used for highway work.

Article 30. Voted: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to arrange for a street light to be installed on the north side of East Street, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $25.00 therefore.

Article 31. Voted: That the Town accept from Northfield Chapter, D. A. R. the sum of $100.00 to be left at interest and only the interest each year be used by the Dickinson Memorial Library to purchase books. This fund is to be known as the Northfield Chapter D. A. R. Book Fund.

Article 32. Voted: That the Town accept from the Gertrude D. Barr Estate the sum of $200.00. Said sum to be added to the fund now held in the name of Charles Osgood for the perpetual care of the Osgood Lot #108 in the Center Cemetery. These two funds to be known as the Osgood and Barr Fund.

Article 33. Voted: That the Town accept the sum of $100.00 from the Daniel F. Sutherland Estate for perpetual care of Lot #A7½ in Center Cemetery.

Article 34. Voted: That the Town accept the sum of $200.00 from the estate of Anna L. Miller for perpetual care of the Mary J. and Anna L. Miller Lot in Mt. Hermon Cemetery, Lot #8.

Article 35. Voted: That the Town accept the sum of $100.00 from Mrs. Tie' Webster for perpetual care of Lot #210 in Center Cemetery.

Article 36. Voted: That the Town accept the sum of $100.00 from Mrs. Murray Hammond for perpetual care of Lots #22½ and #23½ in Northfield Farms Cemetery.

Article 37. Voted: That the Town accept the bequest of $8,000.00 left to it under the will of Sidney F. Starkweather, late of Berkshire, New York, and to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to investigate the method of administering this fund.

Article 38. Voted: That the Town transfer from Overlay Reserve, the sum of $3000.00 for a Reserve Fund for the current year.

Article 39. Voted: That the Town transfer the sum of $10,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1963 Tax Rate.

Article 40. Voted by written ballot (yes 90, no 4, blanks 1) That the Town approve an amendment to the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Agreement, which amendment shall change the date and place of public hearings to consider the annual budget of said district from November 15 in each member Town, to one meeting on the second Thursday of November at the Pioneer Valley Regional School.

The agreement is hereby amended as follows:

1. By striking out the following sentence in Section 9, Line 11 of the original agreement. "Upon the preparation of such budget and not later than November 15 in any year the members of the Committee from each member town shall hold a public hearing in such town at which it shall present the proposed Regional School budget and shall answer any reasonable inquiries with respect thereto."

2. By inserting the following sentence: "Upon the preparation of such budget the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee shall hold a public hearing in the Pioneer Valley Regional School on the second Thursday of November at which it shall present the proposed Regional School Budget and shall answer any reasonable inquiries with respect thereto."

(Article 40 voted on last).

Article 41. Voted: That the Town establish an Animal Pound on the premises of Leonard C. Streeter, Millers Falls State Road.

Article 42. Voted: That the Town accept the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 49, Section 28 to allow field drivers to impound beasts taken up by them on their own premises.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD

Town Clerk

Copy of the Votes taken at the

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

December 3, 1963

Approximately twenty-five inhabitants of Northfield assembled at the Town Hall in accordance with the warrant as posted, to conduct the business of the Special Town Meeting. The Moderator, Mr. Edgar J. Livingston, called the Meeting to order at 8:05 P.M., December 3, 1963. The following action was taken on the Articles of the Warrant:

Article 1. Voted: That the Town instruct the Moderator to appoint three persons, one of whom shall be a member of the Northfield School Committee, to serve on a special unpaid board to be known as the Regional Vocational-Technical District School Committee comprised of the town of Athol and the towns of Franklin County, all in accordance with Sections 14-16 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws as amended by Chapter 638 of the Acts of 1949, or

Article 2. Voted: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to acquire by eminent domain, purchase or otherwise in fee, certain tracts of land for the purpose of laying out a Town Way, Hamilton Drive, so-called, according to plan and grade filed with the Town Clerk and laid out by the Selectmen November 22, 1963.

Article 3. Voted: That the Town transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of $2000.00 necessary for Fire Department Operating Costs for the year 1963.

Article 4. Passed over.

Article 5. Voted: That the Town change the posting place at Northfield Farms for the Town Warrant from the Tenney Farms Filling Station to Field Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD

Town Clerk

Report of the Planning Board

Progress on the development of a sewage system, which has been the chief subject of Planning Board activity during the past year, has been somewhat slower than anticipated at the time of the 1963 annual town meeting. The Federal Government delayed approval of the Towns' appplication for an interest-free planning loan until the Fall of 1963. The engineering report on sewers was received on Jan. 16, when the Planning Board and Selectmen began a detailed study of it. The engineering report has also been submitted to the State Department of Public Health for their review and approval.

The Planning Board presently anticipates that recommendations based on the engineering report will be presented for town meeting action either later in 1964 or at the 1965 annual town meeting. The report suggests early action by the Town to acquire a sewage treatment site in the north end of Bennet Meadow and to obtain a final decision from the Northfield School relative to participation in the construction of the proposed sewage treatment facilities. Consideration would next be given for approval of the over-all plan and of an initial project for relief of the area of most critical need.

Final decision on each step to be recommended in the sewage system project, including the method of financing, must be by vote of a regular or special town meeting.

The Planning Board, having met with the Selectmen relative to the possible formation of a water district to acquire the assets of the Northfield Water Company, is in unanimous agreement that such action is in the best interests of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY H. HATHEWAY,
Chairman

EDWARD M. POWELL, Secretary

L. PERCY GOODSPEED

DR. RAYMOND A. KINMONTH

HAROLD A. NEWTON

Board of Assessors' Report

For the Year Ending December 31, 1963

RECAPITULATION

TOWN APPROPRIATION

(a) To be raised by Taxation		$396972 36	
(b) To be raised from available funds			
in 1963	$58485 12		
in 1962 after tax rate was fixed	9770 88		
		68256 00	
			$465228 36
Veterans' Service District			1008 50
State Assessments 1963 Estimated			
State Parks and Reservations		1211 74	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts		1595 33	
State Assessment System		92 80	
			2899 87
County Assessments			
County Tax		16055 33	
County Retirement System		2363 31	
			18418 64
Overlay of current year			8820 85
			$496376 22

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	$46014 78
Corporation Taxes	12388 74
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	908 62
Old Age Tax (meals) Chap. 64B, S 10	1856 80
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	42000 00
Licenses	175 00
Fines	175 00
General Government	175 00
Protection of Persons and Property	150 00
Health and Sanitation	900 00

Charities (other than federal grants)	2650 00		
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants and M.A.A.)	18950 00		
Veterans' Services	850 00		
Schools	14500 00		
Interest on Taxes	1550 00		
Farm Animal Excise	850 00		
		$144093 94	
Available Funds	63253 70		
Free Cash	10000 00		
Overestimates—County Tax	327 33		
State Parks and Reservations	114 75		
		73695 78	
			$217789 72
Net Amount To Be raised by Taxation			$278586 50
Number of Polls 655 @ $2.00 each	1310 00		
Valuation of Personal Property $256485.00	25648 50		
Valuation of Real Estate $2516280 00	251628 00		
			$278568 50

TABLE OF AGGREGATES

Number of Polls	655	
Number of Persons Assessed	794	
On Personal Property Only	52	
On Real Estate Only	488	
On Both Personal and Real Estate	254	
Value of Assessed Stock in Trade	$169990 00	
Machinery	70900 00	
Live Stock	4670 00	
All other Personal Property	10925 00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal		$256485 00
Value of Assessed Real Estate		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	613135 00	
Buildings Exclusive of Land	1903145 00	
Total Value of Real Estate		$2516280 00
Total Value of Assessed Estate		$2772765 00

Tax Rate per $1000.00 — $100.00

Taxes for State, County or Town Purposes

On Personal	$25648 50	
On Real Estate	251628 00	
On Polls	1310 00	
Total Taxes Assessed		$278586 50

ABATEMENTS DURING THE YEAR 1963

Levy of	1963	1962	1961	1960	1959	1958
Polls	$300 00	$50 00	$46 00	$24 00	$4 00	
Personal	42 50	11 50				
Real Estate	1185 50	54 74				
Motor Vehicle	3057 96	1594 42	295 14	219 65	370 74	303 77

Exemptions Chap. 59, 4921.50 Cl. 22, Sec. 5

MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE

Number of Motor Vehicles	1528
Total Excise on Motor Vehicles	$52740 47
Total Assessed Valuation	961078 00

Motor Vehicle incompleted — Compiled to December 31, 1963

We the Board of Assessors wish to take this opportunity to thank the People of Northfield and Town Officials for their continued cooperation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. FIELD

WINTHROP E. SPENCER

LEE H. SHELDON

Board of Assessors

Tax Collector's Report

FOR THE YEAR 1963

Taxes for 1957

Outstanding 1-1-63		$ 24 00
Tax Titles Taken	$ 24 00	
	$ 24 00	$ 24 00

Taxes for 1958

Outstanding 1-1-63		$ 733 11
Abatements	$ $303 77	
Tax Titles Taken	27 84	
Paid to Treasurer	24 68	
Outstanding 1-1-64	376 82	
	$ 733 11	$ 733 11

Taxes for 1959

Outstanding 1-1-63		$ 2171 52
Refunds		16 03
Abatements	$ 374 74	
Tax Titles Taken	48 16	
Paid to Treasurer	1478 37	
Outstanding 1-1-64	286 28	
	$ 2187 55	$ 2187 55

Taxes for 1960

Outstanding 1-1-63		$ 6304 22
Refunds		1 00
Abatements	$ 243 65	
Tax Titles Taken	105 75	
Paid to Treasurer	3796 00	
Outstanding 1-1-64	2159 82	
	$ 6305 22	$ 6305 22

Taxes for 1961

Outstanding 1-1-63			$ 15318 91
Abatements		$ 341 14	
Tax Titles Taken		184 46	
Paid to Treasurer		11742 00	
Outstanding 1-1-64		3051 31	
		$ 15318 91	$ 15318 91

Taxes for 1962

Outstanding 1-1-63:			
Polls		$ 248 00	
Personal Property		1675 78	
Farm Animal		12 38	
Real Estate		30845 62	
Motor Vehicle		17087 09	
			$ 49868 87
Committed after 1-1-63			1741 54
Refunds			740 53
Abatements		$ 1708 66	
Tax Titles Taken		210 22	
Paid to Treasurer		41054 94	
Outstanding 1-1-64:			
Polls	$ 30 00		
Personal Property	301 76		
Real Estate	7220 72		
Motor Vehicle	1824 64		
		9377 12	
		$ 52350 94	$ 52350 94

Taxes for 1963

Poll Tax Levy		$ 1310 00
Refunds		2 00
Exemptions	$ 256 00	
Abatements	44 00	
Paid to Treasurer	966 00	
Outstanding 1-1-64	46 00	
	$ 1312 00	$ 1312 00
Farm Animal Levy		$ 926 88
Paid to Treasurer	$ 783 25	
Outstanding 1-1-64	143 63	
	$ 926 88	$ 926 88

Personal Property Levy		$ 25648 50
Abatements	$ 42 50	
Paid to Treasurer	24228 92	
Outstanding 1-1-64	1377 08	
	$ 25648 50	$ 25648 50

Real Estate Levy		$252069 50
Refunds		1 00
Abatements	$ 6107 00	
Tax Titles Added	1034 00	
Paid to Treasurer	213918 48	
Outstanding 1-1-64	31011 02	
	$252070 50	$252070 50

Motor Vehicle Levy		$ 52740 47
Refunds		909 68
Abatements	$ 3057 96	
Paid to Treasurer	36651 12	
Outstanding 1-1-64	13941 07	
	$ 53650 15	$ 53650 15

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON W. LEAVIS

Tax Collector

Town Treasurer's Report

January 1, 1963 to December 31, 1963

Balance January 1, 1963		$143761 51
Receipts for year 1963		583757 55
		$727519 06
Payments per Warrants	$570494 57	
Cash on hand December 31, 1963	2565 28	
Franklin County Trust Company	153199 21	
Crocker Institution for Savings	1260 00	
		$727519 06

Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield

Balance December 31, 1963, per statement		$176119 03
Outstanding Checks, December 31, 1963	$ 22919 82	
Balance December 31, 1963 per Check Book	153199 21	
		$176119 03

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance January 1, 1963	$ 186 30	
Amount collected from members in 1963	1792 37	
		$ 1978 67
Payment to Franklin County Retirement Board in 1963	$1763 00	
Balance December 31, 1963 in Treasury	215 67	
		$ 1978 67

Federal Withholding Tax Statement

Balance January 1, 1963	$ 1470 32	
Withholding Tax deducted in 1963	17945 39	
		$ 19415 71
Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue in 1963	$17775 22	
Balance December 31, 1963 in Treasury	1640 49	
		$ 19415 71

Massachusetts Withholding Tax Statement

Balance January 1, 1963	$ 449 03	
Withholding Tax Deducted in 1963	1932 56	
		$ 2381 59

Paid to Commonwealth in 1963	$1800 32	
Employer's Compensation	28 28	
Balance December 31, 1963, in Treasury	552 99	
		$ 2381 59

Teachers' Retirement System

Balance January 1, 1963	$ 327 17	
Amount Collected from members in 1963	4263 66	
		$ 4590 83
Paid to Teachers' Retirement Board	$4590 83	
Balance December 31, 1963 in Treasury	0 00	
		$ 4590 83

Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Balance January 1, 1963	$ 209 91	
Deducted from members in 1963	2376 86	
		$ 2586 77
Paid to Massachusetts Hospital Service in 1963	$2586 77	
Balance Dec. 31, 1963 in Treasury	0 00	
		$ 2586 77

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN B. GORZOCOSKI

Treasurer

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

South Mountain Cemetery

Alice J. Bigelow	$ 100 00

West Northfield Cemetery

Cecil Wilson	$ 100 00
Caroline B. Lane	150 00
George W. Snow	200 00
Henry M. Yerrington	100 00
Pennock Fund	100 00
Cora B. Preston & Pitts W. Preston	100 00
S. E. K. Priest	200 00
George F. Witt	100 00
Jane E. Evans	50 00
Warena P. Miller	200 00
Mary E. Bunker	200 00
Edna M. Kelley	150 00
	$ 1650 00

Mount Hermon Cemetery

Henry F. Cutler	$ 100 00
Lorimer Drury	100 00
Horace F. Holton	100 00
Alice V. Watson	150 00
Anna Bell McMillan	100 00
Charles T. Sibley	200 00
Lewis Hodus	200 00
Roy R. Hatch	100 00
Joseph S. Castogue	100 00
Charles D. Streeter	200 00
Mary J. and Anna L. Miller	200 00
	$ 1550 00

Northfield Farms Cemetery

James Browning & Robert Washer	$ 100 00
Retta R. Barrett	100 00
Ada Chamberlain & Sarah Morgan	75 00
Eva J. S. Clough	200 00
M. Maria Foss	200 00
Ernest C. Field	100 00
Elisa Graves	51 69
Brigham Gage & David Clowes	100 00
Charles L. Gilbert	200 00
Nettie E. Gilbert	300 00
Samuel A. Holton	200 00
Inez E. Holton	50 00
Elvira A. Morgan	50 00
James & William Merriman	100 00
Henry W. Montague	400 00
Charles C. Morgan	100 00
Samuel Pratt	25 00
Larkin Fisher & Frank & Lucy Ross	50 00
Fred W. Ruggles	100 00
Ashael Sawyer & Alner Sawyer	100 00
Marcellus D. Stratton	100 00
Rufus Stratton & Oren Darling	150 00
Elisha & Elihu Stratton	200 00
William H. Stratton	100 00
Mary A. Stratton	100 00
Samuel W. & William G. Slate	100 00
Leroy Wetherhead	75 00
Oscar & Frank V. Wood	50 00
Jennie L. Bascomb	150 00
Herbert Dutton	100 00
Murray Hammond	100 00
	$ 3901 69

Center Cemetery

Nelson & Nettie Spring	$ 100 00
Emma Holtnorth	100 00
John F. Rice	100 00
Carpenter Winchester	100 00
Clinton A. Ware	150 00

George R. Stebbins	50 00
Charles Stebbins	100 00
Walter D. Crane	100 00
John E. Nye	100 00
Harvey J. Evans	50 00
Augustus W. Holton	100 00
Thomas Callender	50 00
Johnson Fund	123 06
Mary L. Wright	125 00
M. Bemis & Otis Field	50 00
Charles Blackmer	50 00
Alvin Long	50 00
Isaac Cook & Wright Stratton	100 00
John L. Mattoon	100 00
Levi Fay	150 00
Sarah E. Minot	150 00
James Pickard	100 00
Augusta L. Day	100 00
Elijah Belding	125 00
James White	100 00
Arad Webster & William Billings	500 00
Katherine Gaeng	100 00
A. M. D. Alexander	300 00
Charles Alexander & Richard Colton	200 00
Adelaide W. Moody	100 00
Louis M. Potts	200 00
Roselle Evans	50 00
Amos Shepardson & Anna S. Presto	150 00
Bessie Moore	100 00
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100 00
Maximilla S. Hachita	100 00
Albert S. Brigham	100 00
George E. Nye	200 00
Dorothy P. Bruce	150 00
Dr. Stratton White & George & William Hastings	300 00
Jessamine W. Polhemus	100 00
William R. Moody	100 00
Mrs. Norman MacGaffin	50 00
Clara B. Torrey	100 00

Herbert E. Robbins	200 00
S. E. Walker	200 00
J. I. Greenleaf	300 00
M. Margaret Laird	100 00
Hezekiah & Elizabeth Stratton	80 00
Hezekiah & Molly Stratton	80 00
Rufus & Asenath Stratton	80 00
William H. Phelps	200 00
Elizabeth M. Purple	200 00
Sarah J. Whithead	50 00
Bessie Severance	100 00
Lewis Fowler	50 00
J. Wesley Mann	100 00
Andrew E. & Arthur H. Lyman	400 00
Edward B. Stearns	50 00
Benjamin Field & Charles Pomeroy	100 00
Charles Osgood	500 00
Louis Fredertick Bartlett	100 00
Sharman Nye Bartlett	100 00
Rose A. Holton	100 00
C. D. Merriam & Cornelius Hilliard	300 00
Cora B. Preston & Asa Holton	100 00
Frank Piper & William Piper	100 00
L. O. Clapp Lot	100 00
Hachita Lot	440 00
Samuel & Elijah Merriman	1760 00
Mary V. H. Slade	125 00
Mrs. George Spofford	200 00
Mary B. Rankin	100 00
Daniel F. Sutherland	100 00
George N. Kidder	500 00
Tie'-Webster Lot	100 00
	$12538 06

Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund

On hand January 1, 1963	$19539 90
On hand December 31, 1963	$19739 75

Receipts of Interest

South Monutain Cemetery	$ 4 24	
West Northfield Cemetery	64 04	
Mount Hermon Cemetery	52 91	
Northfield Farms Cemetery	150 22	
Center Cemetery	481 95	
Total Interest		$753 36

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN B. GORZOCOSKI

Treasurer

Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

Name	On hand Jan. 1, 1963	Savings Deposits	Securities	Interest Received	Interest Added	on hand 12-31-63
Edward D. Priest & Others W. Northfield Cemetery Fund	$ 7292 49	$ 4292 49	$ 3000 00	$ 168 67* 146 28**		$ 7292 49
James W. Cowles Center Cemetery Fund	2000 00	2000 00		78 24		2000 00
Calvin Stearns Center Cemetery Fund	500 00	500 00		19 56		500 00
Belcher Center Cemetery Fund	2000 00	1000 00	1000 00	39 11* 25 00**		2000 00
Belcher Center School Fund	1050 00	1050 00		41 05		1050 00
Belcher Library Fund	9439 01	9439 01		387 62		9439 01
Belcher Library & School Fund	500 00		500 00	13 80		500 00
Lottie Evans Worthy Poor Fund	1116 03	1116 03			$ 47 51	1163 54
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3000 00	3000 00		117 37		3000 00
Surplus Revenue—School Fund	1600 00	1600 00		68 14		1600 00

C. P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	3000 00	3000 00		113 55		3000 00
Mary Callender Mount Hermon Cemetery Fund	500 00	500 00		19 56		500 00
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	16092 22	6092 22	10000 00		245 27* 250 00**	16587 49
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund	500 00	500 00		19 56		500 00
Maude Montague Library Fund	2009 60	9 60	2000 00	17* 77 50**		2009 60
C. Ina Merriman Library Fund	3088 68	3088 68			61 76	3150 44
Town of Northfield Real Estate Fund	1260 00	1260 00		47 68		1260 00
Northfield Chapter D.A.R. Library Fund	100 00	100 00		1 25		100 00
Totals	$55048 03	$38548 03	$ 16500 00	$1121 53* 262 58**	$354 54* 250 00**	
		Total		$1384 11	$604 54	
						$55652 57

*Sav.; **Sec.

Respectfully submitted,
HELEN B. GORZOCOSKI
Treasurer

Report of Plumbing Code Study

The Selectmen of the Town of Northfield were notified of the necessity to adopt a Sanitary Plumbing Code. The Law states that all towns with population over 2,000 must adopt a Plumbing Code. This means that the following would be required:—

1. A study to be made to select a proper Sanitary Plumbing Code for the Town of Northfield.

2. Plumbing contractors performing work in the Community would have to be licensed.

3. Permits would have to be obtained from the Inspector for all new work.

4. A Plumbing Inspector to be appointed to inspect and approve all new work and to enforce the new Code.

A committee was appointed to select a proper Code.

Committee is as follows:

Howard Williams
Harry Holloway
Frank Turner
Arthur Bolton, Jr.
Carl Pelzel, Chairman.

The Committee has met three times on the problem and Mr. Rici from the Sanitary Engineering Department in Boston was contacted by telephone.

It was felt that a Code for the Community should be adopted that has the following features:

1. It should be all inclusive but it should not be so strict as to impose costly penalties on townspeople seeking to improve plumbing in their homes.

2. In some heavily industrialized areas or urban areas with high rise buildings, it may be necessary to have strict codes but this would not be applicable to farming communities like Northfield.

3. It behooves local plumbing contractors to acquire licenses for future conduct of their business.

Mr. Rici suggested that considerable care be taken to select the proper Code for our Community. He also said that licenses would be granted on a fair basis without necessity of having political connections or affiliations.

At the second meeting the Committee studied the Commonwealth of Massachusets Code and made selections from this Code which would then constitute an alternative for adoption.

It was felt that the National Plumbing Code would be worthy of consideration and that we should also study **this** Code. (State of Vermont uses the National Code.)

Mr. Rici was contacted and asked what he thought of the National Code. He highly recommended a **new** draft of the National Code written by Vincent Manus. He also said that the new draft was so well thought of that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts authorities are thinking of adopting it as their new code!

As a result of Mr. Rici's recommendations, a copy of the new draft by Vincent Manus was obtained for study. The Selectmen have written for four additional copies of the New Code, so that the Committee may study it as a group and take from it those sections which would be appropriate for our Code.

Upon receipt of these copies, a new meeting of the Committee will be called and the process of selecting a Code will continue.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL A. PELZEL

Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee organized for the year with John F. Smith as chairman and Aaron W. Newton as secretary.

Transfers from the $3,000.00 Reserve Fund were authorized as follows:

May 31, 1963	
Tax collector's expense	$ 277 50
October 11, 1963	
Treasurer's expense	150 00
October 23, 1963	
Machinery maintenance account	1100 00
Tree warden's account	250 00
December 3, 1963	
Tax title foreclosure costs	40 30
December 31, 1963	
Dutch elm control	117 68
Summer playground account	14 23
Total	$1949 71
Balance	1050 29
	$3000 00
Finance Committee expense account	$ 25 00
Total expenses for the year	8 00
Balance	$ 17 00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. SMITH, chairman

AARON W. NEWTON, secretary

FRANK BORDNER

DONALD T. SNOW

ALBERT W. STOMPE

PAUL THOMPSON

Town Accountant's Report

RECEIPTS

Taxes

1958 Real Estate		$ 6 60
1959 Polls	$ 2 00	
Real Estate	963 47	
		$ 965 47
1960 Polls	$ 58 00	
Personal Property	18 00	
Real Estate	1953 26	
		$ 2029 26
1961 Polls	$ 114 00	
Personal Property	572 09	
Real Estate	7413 32	
		$ 8099 41
1962 Polls	$ 172 00	
Personal Property	1362 52	
Real Estate	23405 94	
		$ 24940 46
1963 Polls	$ 966 00	
Personal Property	24228 92	
Real Estate	213918 48	
		$239113 40
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1958	$ 18 08	
Levy of 1959	512 90	
Levy of 1960	1766 74	
Levy of 1961	3642 59	
Levy of 1962	16102 10	
Levy of 1963	36651 12	
		$ 58693 53
Farm Animal Excise		
Levy of 1962	$ 12 38	
Levy of 1963	783 25	
		$ 795 63
Accounts Receivable		
General Relief	$ 372 28	

OAA Adm.	52 45	
OAA	14001 65	
MAA Adm.	18 63	
MAA	7635 77	
ADC Adm.	4 69	
ADC	1378 17	
DA	438 07	
Veterans' Benefits	1001 65	
		$ 24903 36
Aid to Highways		
State	$ 43700 89	
County	8249 93	
		$ 51950 82
Federal Grants		
OAA Adm.	$ 128 36	
OAA	18410 73	
MAA Adm.	45 00	
MAA	9566 07	
ADC Adm.	11 81	
ADC	1131 50	
DA	46 50	
		$ 29339 97
Payroll Deductions		
Federal Withholding Taxes	$ 17945 89	
State Withholding Taxes	1932 56	
County Retirement	1792 37	
Teachers' Retirement	4263 66	
Mass. Hospital Service	2376 86	
		$ 28311 34
Trust Funds Interest		
Elisha Alexander Charity	$ 80 80	
George F. Morgan Charity	117 37	
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor	19 56	
Belcher Center School	46 57	
Belcher Library	395 90	
Montague Library	77 67	
Dickinson Book	113 55	
D.A.R. Book	1 25	
Perpetual Care Cemeteries:		
Center, South Mt. and Mount Hermon	690 20	
Northfield Farms	150 22	
West Northfield	383 03	

Mary Callender lot, Mount Hermon	19 56	
Calvin Stearns lot, Center	19 56	
Surplus Revenue School Fund	68 14	
		$ 2183 38
State		
Loss of Taxes	$ 908 62	
Livestock Disease Control	98 29	
School Superintendent	1153 57	
School Aid	37222 79	
Transportation	12739 81	
Vocational Education	234 40	
Library Aid	580 00	
Meals Tax	1830 11	
Corporation Tax	12948 69	
Income Tax	7781 00	
		$ 75497 28
Tax Collector's Costs		1160 00
Poll Collection Costs		158 95
Interest on Deferred Taxes		2242 78
Tax Titles Redeemed		2055 47
Employer's Fee, State Taxes		28 28
Rent, Town Hall		666 00
Rent, Alexander Hall		9 00
Licenses granted		201 00
Sealer's Fees		74 90
Nurse's Fees		248 00
Library Fines		171 90
Patronage Bonus		2 98
Railroad Fire		30 00
Dog Licenses collected for County		608 75
County Dog Refund		435 12
County Dog Officer		114 00
Wild Cat Bounty		20 00
Road Machinery Fund		7178 15
Machinery Rental		4008 74
OAA Recovery		1441 87
School Lunch		14347 52
Trust Funds		505 00
U.S. Bond Interest		250 00
Sale of Real Estate Trust Fund Interest		47 68
Court Fines		120 00
Health-Polio Clinic		118 35
Gift—Village Improvement Society		100 00
Sale of Cemetery Lots		106 50

National Defense Education—Title III	383 99
Refunds	92 71
Total Receipts	$583757 55
Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1963	143761 51
	$727519 06

RECAPITULATION

	App.	Pyt.	Balance
Moderator	$ 25 00	$ 25 00	$ 0 00
Moderator's Expense	15 00	5 10	9 90
Selectmen and Welfare Board	1300 00	1300 00	
Selectmen's Expense	600 00	565 43	34 57
Accountant	1050 00	1050 00	
Accountant's Expense	85 00	85 00	
Legal Expense	250 00	122 50	127 50
Treasurer	1000 00	1000 00	
Tax Collector	1000 00	1000 00	
Tax Collector's Expense	977 50	977 50	
Assessors & Clerk	1750 00	1750 00	
Assessors' Expense	350 00	350 00	
Town Clerk	550 00	550 00	
Town Clerk's Expense	100 00	100 00	
Election and Registration	1000 00	697 00	303 00
Planning Board Expense	150 00	15 98	134 02
Finance Board Expense	25 00	15 00	10 00
Maintenance of Town Hall	5000 00	4408 75	591 25
Constables	1300 00	1271 58	28 42
Fire Dept. Salaries	500 00	500 00	
Equip Reo Truck	7972 95	7972 95	
Fire Dept. Hose and Misc. Equipment	1300 00	1299 01	99
Hydrants	400 00	400 00	
Water Holes	400 00	396 39	3 61
Maintenance of Fire Station	1900 00	1689 34	210 66
Public Safety	50 00	50 00	
Wire Inspector	50 00		50 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures and expense	200 00	200 00	
Dutch Elm Control	2617 68	2617 68	
Insect and Pest Control	1000 00	937 48	62 52
Dog Officer	100 00	25 20	74 80
Health	1500 00	1261 55	238 45
Nurse and Substitute	3200 00	3150 00	50 00

Nurse's Expense	75 00	14 63	60 37
Nurse's Car Expense	200 00	134 02	65 98
Inspection of Animals	200 00	142 08	57 92
Inspection of Meat and Slaughter	50 00	25 00	25 00
Highwway Superintendent Expense	200 00	176 15	23 85
Tools for Highway Work	100 00	86 12	13 88
Highway Dept. Sick Leave, Vacation and Holidays	1000 00	999 98	02
Highways, Bridges and Railings	3500 00	3099 78	400 22
Highway, Chapter 81	23100 00	23099 84	16
Highway, Chapter 90 Maintenance	6000 00	6000 00	
Highway, Chapter 90 Construction 1962	2000 56	2000 56	
Sidewalk Repair	1000 00	995 00	5 00
Snow Removal	11000 00	10843 01	156 99
Street Lights and East Street Light	6611 00	6397 60	213 40
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans, Street Listings	100 00		100 00
General Relief	4000 00	1535 28	2464 72
OAA	15009 05	15009 05	
MAA	15000 00	14477 72	522 28
ADC	4045 00	2824 05	1220 95
DA	1000 00	742 40	257 60
Soldiers' Relief	2750 00	1990 50	759 50
School Committee Salaries	600 00	600 00	
Schools	124076 00	124071 46	4 54
P.V.R.S. Capital & Operating	134816 54	134816 54	
Dickinson Library	7517 12	7517 12	
Northfield Farms Library	150 00	150 00	
Town Reports	940 82	940 82	
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	90 30	90 30	
Protection Tax Title Property	25 00		25 00
Interest	300 00		300 00
Insurance	7100 00	6556 82	543 18
Alexander Hall	250 00	250 00	
Repairs Museum and No. 4 School house	175 00	106 08	68 92
Town Clock	100 00	96 00	4 00
Land Damages	950 00	350 00	600 00
Fish for Streams	200 00	200 00	
Memorial and Veterans' Days	275 00	240 69	34 31
Fence Viewers, Field Drivers and Pound Keeper	50 00		50 00

Sewerage Survey	500 00	200 00	300 00
Cemeteries	2303 50	2303 50	
Fire Station Bonds and Interest	3828 00	3828 00	
Unexpended balances to Revenue			$ 10207 48
Sander Body and Frame, Sweeper and Grader	5300 00	4561 79	738 21
Unexpended balance to Road Machinery Fund			738 21
Treasurer's Expense	600 00	581 96	18 04
Tree Warden, Trimming and Planting	1450 00	1446 25	3 75
Machinery Maintenance	7700 00	7697 06	2 94
Unexpended balances to Reserve Fund			24 73
Fire Dept.—Operating Expenses	4550 00	4377 84	172 16
Unexpended balance to Surplus Revenue			172 16
Plotting Map for Assessors	819 39		819 39
Equalization of Valuaiton Program	589 93	63 00	526 93
Civil Defense	512 52	80 25	432 27
Highway Chapter 90 Construction 1963	37014 80	36234 65	780 15
Acquiring Land for Highland Circuit	275 00		275 00
Maintenance of Athletic Field	400 00	193 84	206 16
Summer Playground	514 23	500 00	14 23
Unexpended balances to 1964			3054 13
Refund Interest on Motor Vehicle Excise and Polls		6 16	
Refund Collector's Costs		2 00	
Refunds on Taxes		53 00	
Refunds in Motor Vehicle Excise		1619 24	
Tax Collector's Costs		1158 00	
U.S. Grant Adm.		1272 94	
U.S. Grant OAA		26183 58	
U.S. Grant MAA		6066 52	
U.S. Grant ADC		672 40	
State Audit		1595 33	
State Assessment		92 80	
State Parks and Reservations		1361 42	
County Tax		14791 13	
County Retirement System		2363 31	

Veterans' Service Center	1008 50	
County Dog Officer	148 00	
Wild Cat Bounty	30 00	
Dog Licenses	608 75	
Garden Club Gift	55 00	
Village Improvement Society Gift	85 62	
U.S. Bond Interest to Savings	250 00	
Trust Funds to Savings	400 00	
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund Interest	15 00	
Belcher Library Fund Interest	257 26	
Ina Merriman Library Fund	90 00	
Perpetual Care Cemeteries:		
Center, South Mountain & Mount Hermon	1281 74	
Northfield Farms	85 28	
West Northfield	504 21	
National Defense Education Title III	383 99	
School Lunch	15073 79	
Federal Withholding Taxes	1775 22	
State Withholding Taxes	1828 60	
County Retirement	1763 00	
Teachers' Retirement	4590 83	
Mass. Hospital Service	2586 77	
Total payments		$570494 57
Cash on hand December 31, 1963		157024 49
		$727519 06

Selectmen's Expense

Appropriation		$ 600 00
Association memberships	$ 41 00	
Lawyers Co-op Publishing Co.	45 50	
Telephone	132 00	
Supplies	207 80	
Clerical	139 13	
	$565 43	
Balance to Revenue	34 57	
		$ 600 00

Accountant's Expense

Appropriation	$ 85 00
Supplies and Postage	$ 85 00

Treasurer's Expense

Appropriation	$450 00	
Reserve Fund	150 00	
		$ 600 00
Treasurer's Bond	$144 40	
Supplies and Postage	409 56	
Used Safe	28 00	
	$581 96	
Balance to Reserve Fund	18 04	
		$ 600 00

Tax Collector's Expense

Appropriation	$700 00	
Reserve Fund	277 50	
		$ 977 50
Collector's Bonds	$328 60	
Supplies and Postage	449 90	
Adding Machine	199 00	
		$ 977 50

Assessors' Expense

Appropriation		$ 350 00
Association membership	$ 12 00	
Binding	26 00	
Registry of Deeds	79 26	
Supplies and Postage	232 74	
		$ 350 00

Equalization of Valuation Program

Balance from 1962		$ 589 93
Clerical	$ 63 00	
Balance to 1964	526 93	
		$ 589 93

Town Clerk's Expense

Appropriation		$ 100 00
Association memberhip	$ 7 50	
Town Clerk's Bond	10 00	
Supplies	82 50	
		$ 100 00

Election and Registration

Appropriation		$ 1000 00
Elections	$160 00	
Registrations	320 00	
Printing and Supplies	82 89	

Street List	134 11	
	$697 00	
Balance to Revenue	303 00	
		$ 1000 00

Planning Board Expense

Appropriation		$ 150 00
Supplies	$ 15 98	
Balance to Revenue	134 02	
		$ 150 00

Finance Board Expense

Appropriation		$ 25 00
Association membership	$15 00	
Balance to Revenue	10 00	
		$ 25 00

Town Hall Maintenance

Appropriation		$ 5000 00
Fuel	$1665 60	
Electricity	297 46	
Water	12 76	
Com. of Public Safety	35 00	
Custodian	1800 00	
Payroll	52 42	
Supplies	90 65	
Repairs	454 86	
	$4408 75	
Balance to Revenue	591 25	
		$ 5000 00

Constables and Expense

Appropriation		$ 1300 00
Payroll	$ 932 00	
Mileage	106 96	
Supplies and Equipment	232 62	
	$1271 58	
Balance to Revenue	28 42	
		$ 1300 00

Fire Department Salaries

Appropriation		$ 500 00
Fire Chief	$250 00	
Forest Fire Warden	150 00	
Secretary	100 00	
		$ 500 00

Fire Department Operating Costs

Appropriation	$2550 00	
Surplus Revenue	2000 00	
		$ 4550 00
Tri-State Mutual Aid	$ 10 00	
Payroll	3205 00	
Telephone Service	348 43	
Supplies and Repairs	814 41	
	$4377 84	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	172 16	
		$ 4550 00

Fire Department Hose and Miscellaneous Equipment

Appropriation		$ 1300 00
Miscellaneous Equipment	$1299 01	
Balance to Revenue	99	
		$ 1300 00

Waterholes

Appropriation		$ 400 00
Supplies	$ 2 39	
Hired Machinery (Contract)	394 00	
	$396 39	
Balance to Revenue	3 61	
		$ 400 00

Maintenance of Fire Station and Garage

Appropriation		$ 1900 00
Fuel	$ 793 94	
Electricity	399 54	
Water	24 74	
Supplies and Repairs	248 25	
Payroll	222 87	
	$1689 34	
Balance to Revenue	210 66	
		$ 1900 00

Sealer Weights and Measures

Appropriation		$ 200 00
Salary	$150 00	
Supplies	50 00	
		$ 200 00

Tree Warden, Trimming and Planting

Appropriation	$1200 00	
Reserve Fund	250 00	
		$ 1450 00
Payroll	$1072 60	
Town machinery	108 90	
Hired machinery	132 00	
Material and supplies	132 75	
	$1446 25	
Balance to Reserve Fund	3 75	
		$ 1450 00

Dutch Elm Control

Appropriation	$2500 00	
Reserve Fund	117 68	
		$ 2617 68
Payroll	$1899 71	
Town machinery	373 25	
Hired machinery	275 00	
Material and supplies	69 72	
		$ 2617 68

Insect and Pest Control

Appropriation		$ 1000 00
Payroll	$416 03	
Town machinery	29 75	
Hired machinery	5 00	
Material and supplies	486 70	
	$937 48	
Balance to Revenue	62 52	
		$ 1000 00

Dog Officer

Appropriation		$ 100 00
Payroll	$18 00	
Mileage	7 20	
	$25 20	
Balance to Revenue	74 80	
		$ 100 00

Civil Defense

Balance from 1962	$412 52	
Appropriation	100 00	
		$ 512 52
Material and Supplies	$ 80 25	
Balance to 1964	432 27	
		$ 512 52

Health

Appropriation		$ 1500 00
Association membership	$ 6 00	
Dr. Pacosa—Clinic	100 00	
Levy and Winer, lawyers	160 00	
Vital statistics	87 00	
Polio Vaccine	58 05	
Material and supplies	19 00	
Dumps:		
Abalane Pest Control	132 00	
Hired machinery	699 50	
	$1261 55	
Balance to Revenue	238 45	
		$ 1500 00

Nurse's Expense

Appropriation		$ 75 00
Association membership	$ 1 00	
Supplies	13 63	
	$ 14 63	
Baalnce to Revenue	60 37	
		$ 75 00

Nurse's Car Expense

Appropriation		$ 200 00
Registration	$ 3 00	
Supplies and repairs	131 02	
	$134 02	
Balance to Revenue	65 98	
		$ 200 00

Highway Superintendent's Expense

Appropriation		$ 200 00
Association membership	$ 10 00	
Telephone	126 81	

Supplies	39 34	
	$176 15	
Baalnce to Revenue	23 85	
		$ 200 00

Machinery Maintenance

Road Machinery Fund	$6600 00	
Reserve Fund	1100 00	
		$ 7700 00
Payroll	$1767 07	
Unitarian Church rental	30 00	
Repairs and supplies	5899 99	
	$7697 06	
Baalnce to Reserve Fund	2 94	
		$ 7700 00

Highways, Bridges, Railings

Appropriation		$ 3500 00
Payroll	$1688 77	
Town machinery	250 50	
Material and supplies	1160 51	
	$3099 78	
Balance to Revenue	400 22	
		$ 3500 00

Highways, Chapter 81

Appropriation	$ 4950 00	
Surplus Revenue	18150 00	
		$ 23100 00
Payroll	$ 6427 46	
Town machinery	3915 17	
Hired machinery	4140 00	
Material and supplies	8617 21	
	$23099 84	
Baalnce to Revenue	16	
		$ 23100 00

Highways, Chapter 90 Maintenance

Appropriation	$2000 00	
Surplus Revenue	4000 00	
		$ 6000 00
Payroll	$1439 23	

Town Machinery	1061 77	
Hired Machinery	270 00	
Material and supplies	3229 00	
		$ 6000 00

Highways, Chapter 90 Construction 1962

Balance from 1962		$ 2000 56
Payroll	$265 47	
Town Machinery	53 37	
Hired Machinery	859 23	
Material and supplies	822 49	
		$ 2000 56

Highways, Chapter 90 Construction 1963

Appropriation	$ 7000 00	
Surplus Revenue	21000 00	
Chapter 782—Section 4	9014 80	
		$ 37014 80
Payroll	$ 5575 95	
Town machinery	2058 85	
Hired machinery	19244 25	
Material and supplies	9395 60	
	$36234 65	
Balance to 1964	780 15	
		$ 37014 80

Sidewalks

Appropriation		$ 1000 00
Peter Yarmac, Contractor	$995 00	
Balance to Revenue	5 00	
		$ 1000 00

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation		$ 11000 00
Payroll	$ 4785 49	
Town Machinery	3343 33	
Hired Machinery	439 50	
Hired Machinery—Sidewalks	105 00	
Material and supplies	2169 69	
	$10843 01	
Balance to Revenue	156 99	
		$ 11000 00

Schools

Appropriation		$124076 00
Teachers' salaries	$ 81665 67	
Superintendent's salary	2219 94	
Clerks	750 00	
Janitors	6195 61	
Travel	174 40	
Physician	350 00	
Nurse	800 00	
Transportation	16452 97	
Text Books	1328 53	
Students' Supplies	1738 59	
Janitors' Supplies	1189 04	
Fuel	2769 53	
Water and Current	2698 28	
Repairs	1696 97	
New Equipment	380 00	
Vocational Tuition	1002 14	
Special Tuition	148 00	
Special projects—painting	1690 00	
Sundry	596 66	
Telephone	225 13	
	$124071 46	
Balance to Revenue	4 54	
		$124076 00

Repairs Museum and No. 4 Schoolhouse

Apppropriation		$ 175 00
Contract repairs No. 4 Schoolhouse	$106 08	
Balance to Revenue	68 92	
		$ 175 00

School Lunch

Balance from 1962	$ 1550 22	
Receipts	14347 52	
Refund	4 50	
		$ 15902 24
Payroll	$ 5951 00	
Food	13688 97	
Repairs	8 99	
Supplies	110 10	
Equipment	1265 73	
	$15073 79	
Balance to 1964	828 45	
		$ 15902 24

Dickinson Library

Refund	$ 2 00	
Appropriation	6500 00	
Dog Fund	435 12	
State Aid	580 00	
		$ 7517 12
Payroll	$5145 80	
Electricity	220 49	
Telephone	82 52	
Fuel	386 52	
Repairs	72 50	
Janitor Supplies	32 94	
Books and Magazines	1311 19	
Association membership	6 00	
Field Library	25 00	
Supplies	234 16	
		$ 7517 12

Belcher Library Fund Interest

Balance from 1962	$330 17	
Receipts	395 90	
		$ 726 07
Fuel	$139 50	
Janitor supplies	12 82	
Books and magazines	104 94	
	$257 26	
Balance to 1964	468 81	
		$ 726 07

Memorial and Veterans' Days

Appropriation		$ 275 00
Avery's—Flags	$ 67 50	
P.V.R.S. Band	50 00	
Fairview Gardens—Plants	113 19	
Sundry	10 00	
	$240 69	
Balance to Revenue	34 31	
		$ 275 00

Alexander Hall

Appropriation		$ 250 00
Janitor	$120 00	
Supplies	59 68	
Equipment—Chairs	70 32	
		$ 250 00

Insurance

Appropriation		$ 7100 00
Workmen's Compensation	$1902 42	
Buildings	2289 50	
Highway Department	843 99	
Fire Department	1228 64	
Constables	96 60	
Collector and Treasurer	18 75	
Nurse's car	179 62	
	$6556 82	
Balance to Revenue	543 18	
		$ 7100 00

Town Clock

Appropriation		$ 100 00
Payroll	$75 00	
Electricity	21 00	
	$96 00	
Balance to Revenue	4 00	
		$ 100 00

Playground and Athletic Field Maintenance

Appropriation		$ 400 00
Payroll	$140 22	
Supplies	53 62	
	$193 84	
Balance to 1964	206 16	
		$ 400 00

Summer Playground Program

Appropriation	$500 00	
Reserve Fund	14 23	
		$ 514 23
Payroll	$423 77	
Supplies	76 23	
	$500 00	
Balance to 1964	14 23	
		$ 514 23

Cemeteries

Appropriation	$2300 00	
Refund	3 50	
		$ 2303 50
Payroll	$2235 93	
Supplies	67 57	
		$ 2303 50

Perpetual Care

Center, South Mountain and Mount Hermon Cemeteries

Balance from 1962	$ 690 06	
Receipts	690 20	
		$ 1380 26
Payroll	$1185 22	
Supplies	51 57	
Mower	44 95	
	$1281 74	
Balance to 1964	98 52	
		$ 1380 26

Perpetual Care Northfield Farms Cemetery

Balance from 1962	$ 51 68	
Receipts	150 22	
		$ 201 90
Payroll	$ 78 00	
Supplies	7 28	
	$ 85 28	
Balance to 1964	116 62	
		$ 201 90

Perpetual Care West Northfield Cemetery

Balance from 1962	$326 37	
Receipts	383 03	
		$ 709 40
Payroll	$332 10	
Supplies	127 16	
Mower	44 95	
	$504 21	
Balance to 1964	205 19	
		$ 709 40

Balance Sheet, Town of Northfield

For The Year Ending December 31, 1963

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash		
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes		
Levy of 1959		
Polls	$ 6 00	
Real Estate	13 32	
		$ 19 32
Levy of 1960		
Poll	$ 22 00	
Real Estate	634 49	
		656 49
Levy of 1961		
Poll	$ 22 00	
Personal property	10 81	
Real Estate	1262 25	
		1295 06
Levy of 1962		
Poll	$ 30 00	
Personal property	301 76	
Real estate	7220 72	
		7552 48

Liabilities and Reserves

Payroll Deductions		
Federal Taxes	$ 1640 49	
State Taxes	552 99	
County Retirement	215 67	
		$ 2409 15
Trust Funds Income		
Elisha Alexander Charity	$ 908 06	
George F. Morgan Charity	166 10	
Roselle Evans Charity	64 90	
Belcher Center School	203 54	
Belcher Library	468 81	
Montague Library	526 24	
Dickinson Book	310 65	
D.A.R. Book	1 25	
Perpetual Care, Cemeteries:		
Center, South Mountain and Mount Hermon	98 52	
Northfield Farms	116 62	
West Northfield	205 19	
Mary Callender Lot	37 84	
Calvin Stearns Lot	37 84	

Levy of 1963		
Poll	$ 46 00	
Personal property	1377 08	
Real estate	31011 02	
		32434 10
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1958	$ 376 82	
Levy of 1959	266 96	
Levy of 1960	1503 33	
Levy of 1961	1756 25	
Levy of 1962	1824 64	
Levy of 1963	13941 07	
		19669 07
Farm Animal Excise		
Levy of 1963		143 63
Tax Title and Possessions		
Tax Title	$ 7978 48	
Tax possession	722 88	
		8701 36
Departmental		
Aid to Dependent Children	$ 391 61	
Veterans' Benefits	278 01	
		669 62
Aid to Highways		
State	$ 18787 43	
County	9000 00	
		27787 43

		3145 56
Federal Grants		
OAA Adm.	$ 1032 97	
OAA	13438 43	
MAA Adm.	45 00	
MAA	9762 35	
ADC Adm.	11 81	
ADC	6287 29	
DA	832 91	
		31410 76
Overestimate County Tax		1264 20
Sale of Real Estate		1260 00
Sale of Cemetery Lots		2375 12
Trust Funds—Marina P. Stanley		305 00
Village Improvement Society Gift		14 38
Road Machinery Fund		7692 99
School Lunch		828 45
Appropriation Balances		
Assessors' Map	$ 819 39	
Equalization of Valuation	526 93	
Civil Defense	432 27	
Chapter 90 Construction	780 15	
Acquiring land for Highland Circuit	275 00	
Athletic Field Maintenance	206 16	
Summer Playground Program	14 23	
		3054 13

Underestimates 1963			
State Parks and Reservations			149 68
Due from County			
Dog Officer Fees	$	34 00	
Wild Cat Bounty		20 00	
			54 00
Ina Merriman Library Account			90 00
			$256246 73

ReserveFund—Overlay Surplus		11310 18
Overlays reserved for Abatements		
Levy of 1959	$ 19 32	
Levy of 1960	656 49	
Levy of 1961	1295 06	
Levy of 1962	2633 90	
Levy of 1963	2371 35	
		6976 12
Revenue Reserved until Collected		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$ 19669 07	
Farm Animal Excise	143 63	
Tax Title and Possessions	8701 36	
Departmental	669 62	
Aid to Highways	27787 43	
		56971 11
Surplus Revenue		127229 58
		$256246 73

DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$33000 00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	$33000 00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds		In custody of Treasurer:	
Cash and Securities		Lottie Evans Charity	$ 1163 54

In custody of Treasurer	$72215 85
In custody of Selectmen	2323 00
In custody of Trustees	11050 58
	$85589 43

Roselle Evans Charity	500 00
George F. Morgan Charity	3000 00
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1600 00
Belcher Center School	1250 00
Belcher Library	9739 01
Dickinson Book Fund	3000 00
Montague Library	2009 60
Cowles Cemetery	2000 00
Belcher Center Cemetery	2000 00
Calvin Stearns Cemetery	500 00
Mary Callender Cemetery	500 00
West Northfield Cemetery	7292 49
Perpetual Care Cemetery	17892 54
Post War Rehabilitation	16213 23
Ina Merriman Library Gift	3150 44
D.A.R. Book Fund	100 00
Marina P. Stanley Library	305 00
	72215 85
In Custody of Selectmen	
Elisha Alexander Charity	2020 00
Perpetual Care Cemetery Funds	303 00
	2323 00
In custody of Trustees	
Martha Alexander Charity	11050 58
	$85589 43

State Audit, Town of Northfield

March 9, 1963

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash		$89087 12
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1957:		
Real Estate		24 00
Levy of 1958:		
Real Estate		34 44
Levy of 1959:		
Poll	10 00	
Real Estate	887 71	
		897 71
Levy of 1960:		
Poll	100 00	
Personal Property	18 00	
Real Estate	2329 45	
		2447 45
Levy of 1961:		
Poll	162 00	
Personal Property	108 75	
Real Estate	7174 49	
		7445 24

Liabilities and Reserves

Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes	$641 90	
State Taxes	355 36	
County Retirement System	65 81	
Teachers' Retirement System	159 67	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	84 49	
		$1307 23
Agency:		
County — Dog Licenses	80 25	
Collector's Costs	166 00	
		246 25
Tailings		188 30
Gift — Northfield Farm Club		55 00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequest		100 00
Trust Fund Income:		
Charity Funds:		
Elisha Alexander	842 26	
George F. Morgan	48 73	
Roselle Evans	45 34	
Belcher Center School Fund	156 97	
Library Funds:		

Levy of 1962:		
Poll	228 00	
Personal Property	1303 18	
Real Estate	25442 43	
		26973 61
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1958	698 67	
Levy of 1959	957 36	
Levy of 1960	3304 95	
Levy of 1961	4332 28	
Levy of 1962	10881 44	
		20174 70
Tax Titles and Possessions:		
Tax Titles	7760 70	
Tax Possessions	722 88	
		8483 58
Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	849 03	
Old Age Assistance	415 49	
Veterans' Services	1111 97	
		2376 49
Aid to Highways:		
State		4824 31
Revenue 1963:		
Appropriations Voted	455457 48	
Deduct:		
Estimated Receipts		

Belcher Library	330 17	
Maude Montague	448 57	
Charles Dickinson	197 10	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	1098 67	
		3167 81
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Assistance	786 41	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration	3 24	
Aid	5155 79	
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	945 45	
Assistance	15845 22	
Medical Assistance for the Aged:		
Administration	12 96	
Assistance	1830 41	
School — Public Law #85-864, National Defense Education	383 99	
		24963 47
School Lunch Fund		1484 93
Appropriation Balances:		
General		378126 99
Overestimates 1962:		
State Recreation Areas Assessment	114 75	
County Tax	327 33	
		442 08

Collected	-15162 39	
Available Funds Voted	-68485 12	
		371809 97
Due from County:		
Dog Officers Fees	46 00	
Wild Cat Bounty	10 00	
		56 00
Due from C. Ina Merriam Dickinson Memorial Library Fund		50 00
		$534684 62

Sale of Real Estate Fund		1260 00
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		2360 12
Road Machinery Fund		94 74
Reserve Fund Overlay Surplus		6941 29
Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1957	24 00	
Levy of 1958	34 44	
Levy of 1959	897 71	
Levy of 1960	1132 12	
Levy of 1961	3234 47	
Levy of 1962	2698 62	
		8021 36
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	20174 70	
Tax Title and Possession	8483 58	
Departmental	2376 49	
Aid to Highway	4824 31	
		35859 08
Surplus Revenue		70065 97
		$534684 62

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net funded or Fixed Debt	$33000 00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	$33000 00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:	In Custody of Treasurer:
Cash and Securities:	Charity Funds:

In Custody of Treasurer	$73433 71
In Custody of Selectmen	2323 00
In Custody of Trustees	11537 84

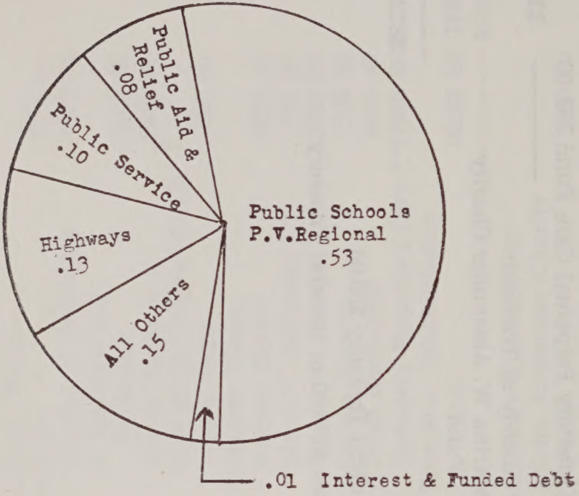
Lottie Evans	$1116 03	
George F. Morgan	3000 00	
Roselle Evans	500 00	
School Funds:		
Surplus Revenue	1600 00	
Belcher Center	1250 00	
Library Funds:		
Belcher	9739 01	
Charles P. Dickinson	3000 00	
C. Ina Merriman Dickinson	*3088 68	
Maude Montague	2009 60	
Northfield Chapter D.A.R. Book Fund	100 00	
Cemetery Funds:		
Belcher Center	2000 00	
Mary H. Callender	500 00	
James W. Cowles	2000 00	
Calvin Stearns	500 00	
West Northfield	8942 49	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	**17995 68	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	16092 22	
		$73433 71
In Custody of Selectmen:		
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	2020 00	

	Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	303 00	
			2323 00
	In Custody of Trustees:		
	Martha W. Alexander Charity Fund		11537 84
$87294 55			$87294 55

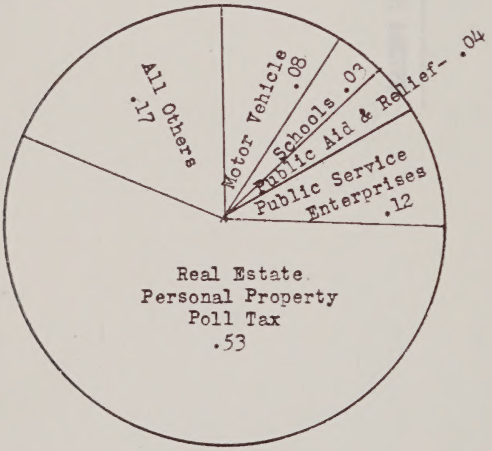
*Due General Treasury $50.00

**Includes $100.00 in General Treasury

1963 Tax Dollar



1963 Reimbursement Dollar



ALL FIGURES ARE APPROXIMATE

Prepared by Winthrop Spencer

Board of Health Report

Either 1963 was a healthy year, or many people failed to to report diseases as required to the Board of Health. The following reports were received and forwarded to the Mass. District Board of Health Office by us:

18 Cases of Dog Bites
13 Chicken Pox
9 Scarlet Fever
2 Mumps
1 German Measles

Any member of the Board of Selectmen may be called to report diseases as advised by your doctor.

Births of three premature babies were reported to the Board during the year, but no funds were required to be spent for their care.

Mrs. Glenn Billings continued the Well Child Clinic and immunization against Polio of school children. It certainly is encouraging that we have received no reports of this disease and we hope this continues. We wish to express appreciation to Mrs. Billings at this time for her help and cooperation with health records, reporting troubles and sickness to us.

Problems continue to exist in some homes where conditions fall far below requirements of the new Sanitation Code. The Board has spent many hours trying to obtain improvement. The State Board of Health has sent Sanitation Inspectors to work with us on several cases.

Letters have been sent to many people who have failed to put their rubbish over the face of the dump when it was reasonably possible to do so. There have been very few times when a second letter has been necessary, and we do feel we are getting reasonably good cooperation from our citizens on this. It is greatly appreciated and saves us many complaints and calls. Dump maintenance is still expensive as a bulldozer is needed there twice a month. With help from Northfield people we hope to continue on this basis and not have to go to the expense of weekly bulldozing, which at one time seemed necessary.

Again, we wish to thank Northfield citizens who have made suggestions or complaints that alerted us to conditions that needed improvement. It is impossible for three part-time people to know and see everything in our town that needs attention.

Respectfully submitted,
CORYS M. HESELSTON, Chr.
ROBERT B. SHEARER
DWIGHT P. STEARNS

Report of Public Health Nurse

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my report for the year ending on December 31, 1963.

Four clinics at which Sabin oral polio vaccine was given were conducted during the year. A total of 1,057 adults and children have now received all three types. Members of Fortnightly and interested citizens helped with related clerical work.

In January the annual Blood Bank, sponsored by the Red Cross, collected 75 pints of blood. Local medical personnel and Fortnightly members again volunteered their services.

Two children spent a month each at Greenfield Health Camp. Kiwanis helped to make this possible.

The Salvation Army sponsored one child at a special camp.

Thirty six children were present at Well Child Clinic. Dr. Walter Pacosa, assisted by the nurse, and members of Fortnightly Communty Service Committee were in attendance.

Two children from indigent families were referred to Greenfield Lion's Club for help with glasses.

Several others received therapy at clinics related to their specific needs.

In summary my work may be divided as follows:

Home visits to chronic cases	723
Home visits to acute cases	242
Visits to maternity cases	17
Visits made to communicable disease cases	13
Visits for health supervision	202
Transportation: (Clinic, doctor, etc.)	11
Meetings attended	14
Clinics conducted	7

I wish to express appreciation to the Selectmen, Town Officials, Service Clubs and all individuals who assisted me during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN C. BILLINGS
Public Health Nurse

Police Report

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Northfield:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1963.

During the past year members of the Police Department have devoted considerable amount of their own time to attend various police training programs. Further training will continue in the coming year. A 30 hour course, with instructors from the State Police Academy of Framingham, Mass., will be held at the Greenfield Community College.

An increase of $300.00 has been requested for the Police budget for 1964. This increase is to enable the department to exercise a limited road patrol program during the Summer months, its purpose, to discourage "Dragging and Hot Rodding".

To the Citizens who have been an aid and assistance to the members of the Police Department, for information and cooperation, I wish to express my sincere thanks.

I wish to thank all the Police Officers for the fine work they have done during the year. I appreciate the splendid work done by the members of the Fire Department during an all night search for a lost hunter.

Activities for 1963 are as follows:

Auto accidents	38	Abusive Tel. calls	2
Traffic duty	44	Drunks	3
Vandalism	12	Abandoned cars	3
Thefts	7	Missing persons	2
Family disturbances	5	Town Hall duty	4
Summons served	8	Pistol permits	15
Prowlers	6	Miscellaneous	44

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY WICKEY

Report of Fire Chief

This past year has been comparatively busy. In March we received the Reo truck which has a capacity of a thousand gallons of water and can be used to very good advantage on the outskirts of town or in the center. It will also give us much more striking power when needed. In Sept. we had a two way radio installed which makes all three trucks equipped with radios.

Due to expenses incurred by the mountain fires, our new equipment fund had to be used for labor along with extra money from the special town meeting leaving us without any new hose or equipment necessary to maintain the department.

We had a total of 63 calls last year as follows: 1 barn, 1 house, 7 chimney, 5 mutual aid, 27 brush and grass, 3 electric, 3 railroad, 2 cars and 14 miscellaneous.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD WILLIAMS
Fire Chief

Report of Forest Warden

In 1963 there were quite a number of calls especially this fall while everything was so dry. There were 27 brush fires and three Railroad. The largest and most serious were on South Mountain and Orange Roads and another on Wendell Road all at the same time. This proved to be very expensive but could have been much worse. At this time I would like to express my thanks to all in helping us to control these fires. There were 570 permits issued last year.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD WILLIAMS
Forest Warden

Civil Defense Director's Report

A Medical Self Help Course was ably conducted by Mrs. Dwight Stearns early in the year. Nineteen students were graduated.

An Auxiliary Police School sponsored by Bernardston for neighboring towns was attended by Chief Stanley Wickey, Constable Joseph Morgan, and Auxiliary Police Officers Paul Thompson and Robert Thompson.

Sixteen prospective Monitors attended a Radiological School instructed by Mr. Sidney Given, Jr., and were familiarized with the use of the instruments necessary for measuring fall-out.

Approved shelters have been stocked with the necessary supplies furnished by the Government, and have been properly marked under the direction of Shelter Officer Edward M. Powell, Jr. Additional shelters are pending approval after a further survey of the town with Federal Representatives.

Mr. Donald Q. McCollester and Mr. Gilbert H. Stacey have successfully completed a five day Shelter Management Instructor Training course at the University of Massachusetts.

We greatly appreciate the splendid cooperation we have received from the Northfield Schools, and wish to thank Dr. Howard Jones, Mr. John Smith, Mr. Carl Pelzel, Mr. Robert Wood, Lt. Richard Sherburne, and all other members of the Schools' Staff who have been concerned with the Shelter program, for their unfailing interest and help.

The Tank Truck has been completed and put into service with the Fire Department, and proper radio equipment has been procured and installed in same through CD matching funds.

During the year a Public Meeting and panel discussion was held on the subject of School Evacuation. At that time Mr. Turner and Mr. Deacon presented written summaries covering the Schools' Civil Defense policy in case of emergency, for distribution to interested persons, and all phases of this important subject were discussed.

Under the guidance of Col. Arthur Shupe, our Area Director, quarterly progress reports on our program have been properly submitted. Our privileges of participating in all of the programs such as Surplus Property, Public Law 606, Matching Funds, and other training assistance, depend on the continued Federal approval of these reports, and to this end we look forward to the continued support and cooperation of the townspeople.

In closing we wish to thank again all those who have participated and assisted in Civil Defense during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE F. FIELD

Civil Defense Director

Northfield Water Company

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the Year Ended December 31, 1963

Water Sales	$4792 58	
Other Income	154 67	
		$4947 25
Operating Costs:		
Water purchased	$1512 80	
Operating and maintenance	1939 27	
Depreciation	474 34	
Town taxes	782 50	
Payroll Taxes	53 38	
Federal and State income taxes	84 56	
		$4846 85

Report of the Planning Committee of The Mary M. Ruggles Starkweather Memorial Fund

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The Planning Committee of the Mary M. Ruggles Starkweather Memorial Fund, appointed by Moderator Edgar J. Livingston, met with Selectmen on March 25, 1963 to set up the method of administration of the Fund.

Each of the five Churches in the town, Trinitarian Cong., Northfield Baptist, St. Patrick's, Unitarian, Community Bible, should designate a representative to serve for a one year term. These members are to serve with the Board of Selectmen as the Committee of the Mary M. Ruggles Starkweather Memorial Fund.

The purpose of this committee is to administer the income of the $8,000.00 trust fund to be used in accordance with the instructions in the will of Sidney J. Starkweather "for strictly charitable purposes in conjunction with the advice and consent of the churches of Northfield, Mass".

There will be an organizational meeting, time to be set by the Selectmen, as soon as possible after the funds have been received by the Town.

1. This Committee shall meet at least once a year.

2. Meetings will be called at any time by the Selectmen at the request of any member of this committee.

3. If for some unavoidable reason a representative is unable to attend the meeting, a substitute should be appointed by the proper authority of that church.

Six people shall constitute a quorum. All decisions shall be by a majority vote.

MRS. GLADYS BISTREK, Chr.
MRS. LILLIAN B. WELLS
LESTER P. WHITE

The Selectmen wish to advise the town that up to this date no money has been received on this fund, so evidentally the estate has not been settled. The following people have been appointed or elected from the various churches to represent each parish:

Trinitarian Congregational—Alvin Scott
(United Church of Christ)
First Parish, Unitarian—Dorothy M. Miller
Northfield Baptist—Harold Carroll
St. Patrick's—Thomas Hurley
Community Bible—Lawrence Marcy

As soon as funds are received these people will be notified by the Selectmen to meet.

Sealer of Weights & Measures Report

I would like to remind everyone concerned in the buying or selling of commodities, that they are free to call on me at anytime for inspections. In fact, anyone in the operation of selling to the public, is bound by law of the Commonwealth to contact me and make sure their weighing devices are inspected and sealed every year.

I have inspected the following scales, weights, and measuring devices during the year 1963. All were sealed except as noted.

3	platform scales over 10,000 lbs.
1	portable platform scale
2	counter scales
3	spring scales
2	beam scales
8	computing scales
1	personal scale
1	prescription scale
8	Avoirdupois weights (1 not sealed)
4	Aprothecary weights
2	Liquid Measures
3	Fuel tank vehicles
29	Gas measuring pumps (9 adjusted)
8	Oil measuring pumps (1 condemned)
4	Kerosene pumps (No. of stops)
1	Kerosene pump (1" inlet)

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK J. ROCKWELL
Inspector of Weights & Measures

Dog Officer's Report

Since I did not assume my duties as Dog Officer until August 26, I do not have very much to report for the year of 1963.

I did make several miscellaneous calls, and I confined and destroyed two dogs.

Respectfully submitted,
LEONARD C. STREETER
Dog Officer

Highway Department Report

The Chapter 90 Construction Program for this year, was confined to the Gulf Road, where extensive amounts of ledge was removed, 2 tubes (1-5 ft., 1-6 ft.) replacing the 5 bridges, which included the relocation of streams. The road was brought up to sub-grade, straightened, and widened for 5/10ths of a mile. There was also 2/10ths of a mile clearing near Orange Road. Completed the work started last year, by resurfacing 3/10ths of a mile, plus putting up guard rail for safety.

The following improvements have been made on Chapter 81:

Caldwell Road

Road was widened and graded, including resurfacing 2/10ths of a mile for better drainage and maintenance.

Cross Road

This road which was started last year, for better transportation for the community, has been completed this year.

So. Mountain Road

Was widened and graded at certain hazardous points.

Nfld. Farms Road

Was widened, graded and resurfaced 2½ tenths of a mile.

Sturbridge Road

Relocation of this road involved straightening, widening, and grading to improve better transportation for the community.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Mt. Hermon Road was widened where it was needed for better drainage and snow removal, plus 3 extra drainage basins to relieve flooding of surface water.

An extensive amount of work was accomplished this year on most of the town roads. The people of Northfield should be commended for notifying this department when any hazards existed on the roads, so my men and I could correct them.

I also want to thank the men of my department, without whose help for the past year, we could not have accomplished so much.

Respectfully submitted,
A. G. WEISSINGER
Superintendent of Streets

Tree Warden's Report

I hereby submit my Tree Warden Report for the year 1963.

This past year we removed 20 trees from our streets and highways that were dead or dangerous. Also there were a number of trees that were trimmed for broken or dead limbs for road clearance and blind corners.

TREE NURSERY

This spring 120 trees from the town nursery were planted along our streets and highways. These trees were planted as follows: (Gulf) Mountain Road, South Mountain Road, Pine Meadow Road, Upper and Lower Northfield Farms Road, Beer's Plain Road, East Northfield Road, Mt. Hermon Road, Pentacost Road, Birnam Road, Turnpike Road, North Lane, Pine Street, Howard Street, Meadow Street, School Street, East Street, Maple Street, Warwick Avenue. Number and species of trees used as follows: 22 Weeping Willows, 25 Flowering Crab Apples, 30 European Mountain Ash, 14 Sycamore, 15 Scotish Pine, 6 Norway Maple, 5 Rock Maple and 3 Pin Oaks.

For the spring of 1964 there are 225 trees that will have to be planted from the town nursery to the street and highways.

Due to a short season of spring planting we have this fall prepared some areas already for planting to speed up our tree planting program in this coming spring.

Through the generosity of the Village Improvement Society's donation of $100.00 respectively was received. This donation was responsible for the flowers in front of the Town Hall and the Fire Station, using 48 Geraniums, 24 Cascade Petunias, 40 dozen Marigolds, 30 dozen Salva. Also this fall we have planted 450 tulip bulbs in front of the Town Hall and the Fire Station.

Again I want to extend a special thanks to the Village Improvement Society for their donation and to thank the towns-people for their splendid co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH S. BILMON
Tree Warden

Report of the Moth Superintendent

During 1963, 165 diseased Elm Trees were removed and burned. There were 350 gallons of 6% D. D. T. Emulsion used to combat Elm Leaf Beetles in May and June. There were 193 samples sent to the Shade Tree Laboratories for culture. A total of 198 trees were found positive and that should be removed and burned before April 1, 1964. These trees are located as follows:

65	Northfield
44	East Northfield
42	West Northfield
47	Northfield Farms

There are about 20 trees left from last year that will be taken care of this winter.

GYPSY MOTH

The Department of Natural Resources sprayed approximately 7000 acres for the control of Gypsy Moth and the Linder Looper. This program was as successful as in 1962. The Gypsy Moth and Linder Looper had defoliated about 5000 acres of our woodlands. This spring after this spray program we have found no defoilated areas.

JAPANESE BEETLES

There were 300 gallons of 9% D. D. T. Emulsion and 50 pounds of Milky Disease Spores were used to combat Japanese Beetles.

POISON IVY

There were 300 gallons of 2-4-D-5T used to control poison ivy, along our streets and highways and also where children play, such as baseball diamonds, playgrounds, and swimming places. A number of private property were also treated.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Doctor Malcolm McKenzie and his staff of men from the Shade Tree Laboratories for helping out on taking Dutch Elm samples. My appreciation is extended to the Western Massachusetts Electric Co., New England Telephone Co. and my fellow workers and the towns-people for their co-operation in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH S. BILMON
Moth Superintendent

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

Northfield's Cemeteries have received their usual care during 1963.

South Mountain Cemetery received particular attention this year which included repair of the gate, and its appearance is much improved. Painting and repair of the fences at West Northfield and Mt. Hermon are completed.

Cemetery expenditures may be found in the Town Accountant's report.

We wish to report the following receipts during 1963.

From Mrs. Murray M. Hammond For the perpetual care of Lots Nos. 22½ & 23½ In Northfield Farms Cemetery	$100 00
From Albert Williams For ½ Lot No. 35 in Northfield Farms Cemetery	15 00
From Robert D. Johnson For 2 Lots Nos. 200 and 201 in West Northfield Cemetery	50 00
From Estate of Philip Porter For ½ Lot No. 161 in West Northfield Cemetery	15 00
From Emma Bigelow For ½ Lot No. 120 in West Northfield Cemetery	15 00
From Raymond R. & Doris R. Northcott For Lot No. 215 in West Northfield Cemetery	25 00
From Marian Fisk Giersbach For ½ Lot No. 54½ in Mt. Hermon Cemetery	15 00
From Marian Fisk Giersbach For Perpetual care of Lot No. 54½ in Mt. Hermon Cemetery	100 00

From Faith C. Fisher For ½ Lot No. 207½ in West Northfield Cemetery	15 00
Total	$350 00

Respectfully submitted,

OWEN STACEY
WALTER R. CLARK, JR.
HORACE F. FIELD
Cemetery Commissioners

Department of Veterans' Service Report

January 9, 1964

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen
Northfield, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is a report of the Central Franklin County District, Veterans Service Center and the Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield for the year 1963.

1	Active Service Problems	18
2	Bonus	6
3	Compensation	143
4	Death Benefits	260
5	Discharges	97
6	Education	19
7	Employment	211
8	Finance	470
9	Housing	6
10	Insurance	85
11	Legal	93
12	Loans	46
13	Medical	551
14	Notarizations	40
15	Pension	599
16	Photostats	5421
17	Recordings	34

18	Selective Service	110
19	Social Security	42
20	Taxes	346
21	Veterans Benefits	5210
22	Vital Statistics	183
23	Unclassified	415
	Total Contacts	14405

The figures above represent contacts for all the former servicemen and women in the various communities comprising the district.

The Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield provided financial assistance to five families representing 14 persons during the year 1963. Four of these cases were of a temporary nature with the remaining case classified as permanent. The expenditures for the year amounted to $2012.90 and it is anticipated that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will reimburse the town in the sum of $1006.45 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 115 as amended, of the General Laws.

Respectfully submitted,
HOMER L. GAMELIN
Director of Veterans Services

Northern Franklin Welfare District

To: Northfield Board of Public Welfare

From: L. R. Stark, Director, Northern Franklin Welfare District

Subject: Annual Report on Public Assistance for 1963

During the year 1963, the District Welfare Office in Bernardston continued to administer Public Assistance for the Northfield Board of Public Welfare. Northfield's share of the cost was $1267.

There was a general cost of living increase in grants during the year and all Old Age Assistance grants were increased $1.00 per month for leisure time activities. Federal participation is $54.00 per month in Old Age Assistance, $46.50 per month in Disability Assistance, $20.50 per person in Aid to Families with Dependent Children and 50% of the cost in Medical Assistance for the Aged. The State also reimburses a part of the cost in all categories. Legislation in 1963 completed elimination of legal settlements in all categories of public assistance beginning January 1, 1964.

There was a total of forty-seven cases in all categories being aided at the beginning of the year and forty-five at the end of 1963. Total assistance payments for the year were about $2400 higher than in 1962. Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Medical Assistance for the Aged and General Relief payments were lower but Old Age Assistance and Disability Assistance were higher.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Minimum grants were increased to $65.00 per month for recipients living with relatives and $85.00 per month for all others without other resources. Depending on the needs of the individual, these grants ranged upward to $168 per month plus medical needs.

At the beginning of the year thirty-two cases were being aided at a cost of $2487 per month exclusive of medical needs. At the end of the year there were twenty-nine on the rolls with a regular monthly payment of $2700. Additional payments for medical needs averaged $895 per month during 1963. Total assistance payments were about $7000 higher than the previous year.

Seven applications were received during the year and all were approved for assistance. Ten cases were closed, of which four were transferred to Medical Assistance for the Aged, three moved from town and three died.

Nine Old Age Assistance real estate liens were in force at the beginning of the year and one new one was recorded. One lien was released after recovery of $241 leaving nine recorded liens at the end of 1963.

There were two appeals during the year.

AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Two cases with three children were being aided at the beginning of the year at a cost of $232 per month plus medical needs. Three new applications were received and assistance was approved. Two cases were closed, both moving to other towns, leaving three cases on the rolls with nine children at the end of 1963, with regular monthly payments of about $400. Cost in this category decreased about $1000 from the previous year.

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

One application was received, aid was given and was continuing at the end of 1963.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE AGED

There were twelve Medical Assistance for the Aged cases on the rolls at the beginning of the year of which seven were in nursing homes. Nine additional applications were processed, all of which were approved for assistance. There were ten closings during the year, six of whom died, one became self-supporting and three were transferred to Old Age Assistance, leaving eleven on the rolls at the end of 1963, of which six are patients in licensed nursing homes. Cost in this category decreased about $3000 from the previous year.

There were no appeals during the year.

GENERAL RELIEF

One single person case was being aided at the start of the year. Ten applications were made during the year and assistance was given in eight cases. Eight cases were closed during the year after seven became self-supporting and one was transferred to Old Age Assistance leaving one case receiving aid at the end of 1963. Cost of this category decreased about $1400 as compared with the previous year.

NORTHFIELD

Welfare Department Expenditures 1963

AVAILABLE FUNDS

Category	Town Appn. & Refunds	Prev. Balance	Fed. Reim. 1963	Total Avail. Funds
O.A.A.	$15030 60	$20503 26	$19097 20	$54631 06
M.A.A.	15007 50	6255 30	9566 07	30828 87
A.F.D.C.	4045 00	5828 19	1131 50	11004 69
D.A.	1000 00	786 41	46 50	1832 91
G.R.	4000 00	0 00	0 00	4000 00
Adm.	0 00	2177 55	185 17	2362 72
Total	$39083 10	$35550 71	$30026 44	$104660 25

	TOTAL PAYMENTS	UNUSED BALANCE
O.A.A.	$41192 63	$13438 43
M.A.A.	20544 24	10284 63
A.F.D.C.	3496 45	7508 24

D.A.	742 40	1090 51
G.R.	1535 28	2464 72
Adm.	1272 94	1089 78
Total	$68783 94	$35876 31

DISTRIBUTION OF COSTS

	Receipts			Net Nfld.
	Federal	State	Other	Cost
O.A.A.	$19097 20	$13807 52	$697 73	$7590 18
M.A.A.	9566 07	7635 77	0 00	3342 40
A.F.D.C.	1131 50	1106 11	0 00	1258 84
D.A.	46 50	438 07	0 00	257 83
G.R.	0 00	49 00	323 28	1163 00
Adm.	185 17	75 77	0 00	1012 00
Total	$30026 44	$23112 24	$1021 01	$14624 25

Dickinson Memorial Library Report

The following citizens of the Town of Northfield have served as members of the Board of Trustees of the Library for the year 1963-1964: Mrs. Jean P. Hathaway, chairman; Mrs. Lillian G. Wells, secretary; Mr. Luman A. Barber, treasurer; Mr. William H. Hawley, chairman of the Book Committee; Mr. Donald Q. McCollester, chairman of the Committee on Plant and Property; and Mrs. Dorothy C. Miller.

At the Town Meeting on Monday, March 4, 1963, Mrs. Wells and Mr. McCollester were re-elected, each to serve another three-year term.

It is a satisfaction for the Trustees to report that, during the past year, interest in the library has been greatly stimulated, as shown by an increase in circulation and by the many favorable comments which have been received. This is no doubt due in large part to the attractive redecoration of the main floor of the building and to the addition of a Young Adults Section in the expanded space provided by new bookshelves.

National Library Week was observed with a Coffee Hour, on Saturday, April 27th, with several of the Trustees as hosts. The exhibits in the second floor assembly hall and the display of new books in the Adult Reading Room were of much interest to the many who attended and the sale of surplus books was as successful as usual.

The Trustees are appreciative of a Book Fund which has been established for the benefit of the Library and the Town, by relatives and friends in memory of Mrs. Marina P. Stanley, a long-time resident of East Northfield and a friend of the Library for many years. Books purchased through the Fund will be identified by specially imprinted bookplates.

Once again the Trustees are pleased to commend to the Town the capable services of the Library staff, Mrs. Evangeline Cook, librarian; Mrs. Brenda Lavendar, assistant librarian; and Mrs. Grace Stetson, substitute assistant librarian.

Respectfully submitted,

JEAN P. HATHAWAY, Chairman
LILLIAN G. WELLS, Secretary

Librarian's Report

Circulation of books and magazines:

Adult and Juvenile	28158	
State Bookmobile	2565	
Inter-library loan	9	
Total		30732
Books added by purchase and gift		631
Books withdrawn		342
Total number of books in circulation		15300
Total number of magazines in circulation		40
Books borrowed from State Bookmobile:		
Dickinson Library	1504	
Other parts of Town	557	
Total		2061
Books borrowed by teachers for school use		368
Books borrowed by State Bookmobile		77
Fines turned in to Town Treasurer		$171 90

During the second school term weekly classes in the use of the card catalog and in the use of reference books were held for pupils of the Sixth Grade.

National Library Week, April 21-27, was also "No Fine Week". Several long overdue books were returned to the Library. During the week Miss Martha Hoagland, of East Northfield, loaned for exhibit artifacts and pictures of Nepal, Sikkim, and Kathmandu. She also showed colored slides of these countries. Two young people were awarded certificates of the Dickinson Reader's program. During the entire week duplicate books and Library discards were on sale. The books not sold were given to the Vernon, Vt. Library.

A reminder of the services to be found at the Library was mailed to residents of the Town. I deeply appreciate the interest which has been expressed in many ways.

In July the piano students of Mrs. Gloria Gancarz gave a recital in the upstairs assembly room.

A biography of Ex-President Eisenhower for the Young Adult shelf has been presented to the Library by the Franklin County Women's Republican Club as part of the Mamie Eisenhower book project.

Other friends have given books, magazines, and family genealogies. To all, I extend thanks.

Mrs. Lavender and I thank the Trustees for their support and counsel throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

EVANGELINE C. COOK
Librarian

Playground Committee Report

Continuing to fulfill the need for part time summer recreation for Northfield children, the playground program proved more popular than ever. Under the effective leadership of Paul C. Deacon, director, Gretchen Hammond, assistant director, Brenda Slater, director of arts and crafts, and Ronald Kimball, counselor for boys, between 70 and 80 children participated daily, with a total registration close to 150. Continuing a growing tradition in the playground program, Sally Davis, Carolyn Gibson, Polly Johnson, and Karen Livingston served enthusiastically and invaluably as volunteer assistants.

Individual and group games designed to develop skills in running, jumping, and throwing, arts and crafts, special projects, and special programs and contests constituted the daily programs. An additional feature of the summer was organized swimming with some instruction at the Schell pool. Besides physical development, the playground program seeks to develop group cooperation, democratic participation, and leadership.

Because of increasing participation by the children of the town and the need for more paid personnel and additional games and crafts equipment, the playground committee is for the first time recommending an increase in the playground appropriation of $100.00 to a total of $600.00.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. HAWLEY, Chr.

ELIZABETH D. SCOTT, Sec.

DOROTHY M. HAMMOND

Playground Committee

Annual Report

# of the

School Department

Town of Northfield

School Committee Report

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1963

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Evelyn U. True, Chairman	Term expires 1964
Norma Stearns, Secretary	Term expires 1966
Elizabeth Bolton	Term expires 1965

Meeting of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the second Thursday of each month, except July and August at 9 A.M. at the Center School.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

F. Sumner Turner
Dartmouth A.B.—Harvard M. Ed.
Boston University—University of Massachusetts
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SCHOOL CALENDAR

Schools open January 6, 1964	Close February 21, 1964
Schools open March 2, 1964	Close April 17, 1964
Schools open April 27, 1964	Close June 19, 1964
Schools open September 9, 1964	Close November 25, 1964
Schools open November 30, 1964	Close December 23, 1964
Schools open January 4, 1965	Close February 19, 1965

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee and Citizens of Northfield:

I am pleased to present herewith my sixteenth annual report dealing with the progress made in the public school during the year 1963. This is the 227th report on public education in the Town of Northfield.

Enrollments

The grade assignments were continued in the same fashion as last year, namely: a kindergarten meeting with half of the youngsters in the morning and other half of the youngsters in the afternoon, and two sections of each grade. The enrollment by grade and section was as follows as of December 20, 1963:

Kindergarten	43
Grade one	51
Grade two	54
Grade three	39
Grade four	46
Grade five	62
Grade six	54
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The enrollment of the various rooms was as follows:

Kindergarten (Smithers)	43
Grade one (Bolton)	25
Grade one (Thomas)	26
Grade two (Haack)	26
Grade two (North)	28
Grade three (Stebbins)	21
Grade three (Wahlstrom)	18
Grade four (Sheldon)	23
Grade four (Kaufhold)	23
Grade five (Parker)	31
Grade five (Barry	31

Grade six (Moran)	27
Grade six (Robinson)	27
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A casual study of our enrollment would indicate merely a growth of twelve pupils. However, this is far from the truth. Americans now-a-days seem to have a desire for change and will pull up stakes and take their families and go elsewhere to live at a moment's notice. During the year approximately forty-five new faces were introduced to our classes. Likewise, almost as many faces have disappeared from our school. This constant change brings a very difficult problem to our teachers and our classes. This mobility has become one of the grave problems of American public school education. Every attempt is made to minimize the effects of this pupil movement. But if the size of classes is allowed to get beyond the reasonable limits, this changing of pupils compounds the problem.

Teachers

In June Mrs. Miles was granted a leave of absence for one year to accompany her husband who had enrolled for study at the University of Michigan. Mr. Robert J. Colby resigned to assume the principalship of Warwick Elementary School. Mrs. Joan Coughlin resigned because of other commitments.

The Committee were most fortunate in obtaining the services of Mrs. Marion A. Wahlstrom, a teacher of sixteen years' experience who had come to live in Bernardston. Mrs. Allison Kaufhold requested approval to teach grade four which was granted and Mrs. Wahlstrom was assigned to Grade three. Later that summer Mr. John Robinson, a beginning teacher, was hired to teach Grade six. Mr. August Mello, a resident of this Town, was engaged to be supervisor of art. These three additions to our faculty are doing a very superb piece of work. The educational backgrounds can be found in the roster of teachers.

Repairs and Improvements

Each year the Committee attempts to complete a certain amount of improvements and repair to our buildings. As the years pass by, this task becomes more and more difficult. During the year four rooms and the auditorium in the north building were repainted and one room and the lower corridor of the south building were redecorated. It is the plan of the Committee to do a certain amount each year in the attempt to have our buildings always presentable and not allowing repairs and redecorating to become so badly needed that it is a major operation and a costly one.

Curriculum

The curriculum of our school is under constant study. Each year we attempt to adopt a textbook for one of the major subjects. During the last school year a new studies curriculum and textbook were adopted. This year all teachers are studying the modern approach to mathematics under the direction of Mr. Hugh S. Hayden, Principal of the Bernardston Elementary School. During the summer of 1963 Mr. Hayden was granted a National Science Foundation scholarship for the study of the Modern Approach to math at the University of Vermont. As part of the agreement, he was to bring back to the teachers of the Union the latest and better methods of teaching mathematics from the kindergarten through high school. The teachers have attended these classes with fine enthusiasm and interest. There will be a total of thirty-six hours spent in this class study. It is planned at the conclusion of the course to have all teachers study the present textbooks available and after much careful discussion recommend a new arithmetic textbook for our schools.

Cafeteria

The cafeteria continues to thrive under the guidance of our cafeteria personnel—Mrs. Minnie Huber, Mrs. Esther Clough and Mrs. Mildred Aldrich. This year 41,634 student lunches, 1,615 adult lunches and 17,757 additional bottles of milk were served our school children. This increase in patronage is due to the splendid work done by these three ladies. During the year a new electric stove was purchased. This has proved to be a tremendous help to the personnel.

Supervisors

The vocal and instrumental music programs are prospering nicely under the guidance of Miss Phyllis Drew and Mr. Eugene Gancarz. In September Mr. August Mello took over the supervision of our art program, and is showing great promise. These supervisors at the present time are covering the entire Union No. 18 and Pioneer Valley Regional School. They are fast approaching a limit to the amount of time that they can give to each individual class. This problem should be granted study during the next school year.

A year ago because of too many commitments at Pioneer Valley Regional School, the physical education instructors were unable to give any time to the elementary grades. Study should be given the possibility of employing a physical education instructor for the elementary grades devoid of commitments to the regional school. Our limited facilities for such endeavors will make the solution doubly hard.

Finances

During the year 1963 the cost of public education in Northfield was $124,071.46 and Northfield's share of the Pioneer Valley Regional School operating cost was $136,480.51 making a total of $260,551.97. The reimbursements paid to the town and Northfield's share of the reimbursement paid direct to the Pioneer Valley Regional School District was $78,528.80 to leave a net cost of $182,023.17 for the year. This means a per pupil cost of $302.86.

The reimbursments for 1964 have been estimated as follows:

Chapter 70 as amended 1948	$41500 00	
Vocational tuition	424 60	
Vocational transportation	156 50	
State Wards	250 00	
Superintendent's salary and travel	2400 00	
Interest, School Surplus fund	68 14	
Transportation	13000 00	
Total	————	$57799 24

I invite you to study with care the reports of the School Personnel for a more detailed description of the activities of the school.

During the past year the Franklin County Regional Vocational-Technical School Planning Committee has been meeting regularly since March. It is planned to insert a copy of their report in the annual Town Report. The committee from Northfield was not appointed until late December and their names (Mrs. Evelyn U. True, Chairman; Mr. Robert Barnes and Mr. Walter Hyde) will not appear in the printed copy. This report should be given careful study.

The more we study the world affairs and the grave tensions found in all corners of the earth, as well as our domestic troubles, the greater becomes the need for more education and through that education more understanding. Also, we should see that every child has every opportunity to increase his knowledge, skills and understanding to the full extent of his abilities. As the country doctor is no longer expected to be the last word in medical care, the lone teacher or school can not answer all educational problems. We must always be concerned with the education and training of the physically and mentally handicapped, vocationally and technically interested, as well as the talented and normal academic boys and girls. Our educational philosophy should be accept each individual as we find him, noting carefully his physical handicaps, his mental abilities and his achievement to that point and help him to progress just as far as possible while under our care and supervision. In small towns this is a tremendous task, but with the help of our neighbors and Federal and State assistance, we should be able to do a credible job.

I would like to thank the School Committee, School Personnel, Parents, Friends and Students for the splendid cooperation and assistance received during the year. In this type of operation, success can only come from the complete cooperation of all.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER

Superintendent of Schools

Report of School Organization

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Paul C. Deacon	Principal	Tufts University, B.A. Boston University, M. Ed.
Madeline A. Smithers	Kindergarten	Boston University, B.A. Hartford Seminary Foundation, M.A. *Leslie College
Ruth W. Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal School *University Extension
Dorothea B. Thomas	Grade 1	Keene Teachers College *University of Vermont *University Extension *Springfield College
Virginia S. Haack	Grade 2	Stevens Hoboken Academy *Leslie College *Berlitz School of Language *Columbia University *University Extension *University of Maryland
Ruby North	Grade 2	Bay Path Institute *Greenfield Commercial School *Fitchburg Normal School

Ruth Stebbins	Grade 3	Lowell Teachers College, B.S.
Marion Wahlstrom	Grade 3	Framingham State Teachers College, B.S. *University of Chicago *Boston University *Harvard-Boston Univ. Extension *State of New York Extension *Univ. of Mass. Extension
Allison K. Kaufhold	Grade 4	Michigan State College, B.S. *University of Mass.
Catherine Sheldon	Grade 4	Fitchburg Normal School
Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	N. Adams State Teachers College, B.S.E. *Boston Univ.
Janet S. Barry	Grade 5	No. Adams Normal School *No .Adams State Teachers College
Ernest Moran	Grade 6	Keene Teachers College, B.E.
John Robinson	Grade 6	Northeastern University, B.A. *Fresno State College of Calif. *Framingham State College Graduate School
Marian C. Billings	Nurse	Franklin County Public Hospital, R.N.
August C. Mello	Art Supervisor	Massachusetts College of Art, B.S., M.A.
Phyllis Drew	Music Supervisor	Crane School of Music *New York University
Eugene Gancarz	Instrumental Music	Boston University, B.M., M.M.

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*attended without graduation

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

William Ross	Norman Holloway

SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Minnie Huber

Mrs. Esther Clough	Mrs. Mildred Aldrich

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

	Approp. 1963	Expend. 1963	Recom. 1964
Superintendent's Salary	$ 2289 00	$ 2219 94	$ 2518 00
Out of State	35 00	19 30	35 00
Administrative Expense	108 00	108 00	108 00
Clerk	750 00	687 50	1000 00
Salaries, Teachers	77310 00	78242 28	81850 00
Salaries,Music Supervisors	2268 00	2191 59	
Vocal			1365 00
Instrumental			1092 00
Art Supervisor	1081 00	993 20	1113 00
Penmanship Supervisor	500 00	450 00	500 00
Textbooks	1500 00	1328 53	1500 00
Student Supplies	1500 00	1738 59	1500 00
Janitors' Supplies	1000 00	1189 04	1100 00
Alexander Hall Maintenance			200 00
Janitors' Salaries	6775 00	6376 86	6875 00
Fuel	3100 00	2769 53	3100 00
Water and Current	2350 00	2698 28	2350 00
Repairs	2000 00	1696 97	2000 00
New Equipment	500 00	380 00	500 00
Physician	350 00	350 00	350 00
Nurse	800 00	800 00	820 00
Vocational Tuition	1200 00	1002 14	1200 00
Special Class Tuition			1500 00
Tranportation	15660 00	16063 47	18000 00
Special Class Transportation			183 00
Vocational Tranpsortation	500 00	412 50	600 00
Sundry Education	500 00	663 74	500 00
Special Projects	2000 00	1690 00	2000 00
	$124076 00	$124071 46	$133859 00

NET COST OF SCHOOLS 1963

Expenditures (Elementary School)	$124071 46	
Expenditures (Northfield's share P.V.R.S)	136480 51	
		$260551 97
State of Massachusetts, reimbursements paid to Town of Northfield:		
Chapter 70 as amended 1948	40318 91	
Vocational tuition	165 40	
Transportation	12739 81	
Vocational Transportation	69 00	
State Wards	135 45	
Supt. Salary and travel	1153 57	
Interest, School Surplus Fund	68 14	
	54650 28	
Reimbursement paid to P.V.R.S. Northfield's share	23878 52	
		78528 80
Net Cost of Education, 1963		$182023 17

STATE AID AND NET COST OF EDUCATION

Year	Total costs	Reimburse.	%	Net Cost	Net Pupils	Cost per pupil
1958	$178311 24	$63572 89	35.6	$114738 35	538	$213 27
1959	188590 69	75055 69	39.7	113535 13	538	211 03
1960	204678 46	76081 24	37.1	128597 22	550	233 81
1961	212576 06	73705 19	34.7	138870 87	545	254 81
1962	233965 23	75719 14	32.4	158246 09	582	271 90
1963	260551 97	78528 80	30.1	182023 17	601	302 86

NORTHFIELD SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Net worth (Cash, inventory, claims) Jan. 1, 1963			$2526 45
Cash balance		$1463 72	
Receipts:			
Student lunches	$8327 00		
Adult lunches	484 50		
Milk	467 79		
U.S.D.A.	4430 19		
Other	148 25		
		13857 73	
Total cash		15321 45	
Disbursements:			
Food	7689 81		

Labor	5951 00	
Other	1666 96	
		15307 77
Cash balance		13 68
Cash balance	13 68	
Inventory	185 94	
U.S.D.A. Claims	786 81	
Net worth December 31, 1963		$986 43

NORTHFIELD REPORT ON SCHOOL CENSUS

Oct. 1, 1963

	Boys	Girls	Total
Between ages 0 and 5	94	84	178
Between ages 5 and 7	40	51	91
Between ages 7 and 14	180	188	368
Between ages 14 and 16	50	51	101
Totals	364	374	738

Enrollment by Grades — Oct. 1,1963

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Boys	23	21	31	21	19	24	27	166
Girls	19	29	22	18	25	36	24	173
Totals	42	50	53	39	44	60	51	339

Resident Enrollment

	Boys	Girls	Total
Center School	166	173	339
Pioneer Valley Regional School	125	127	252
Holy Trinity	1	1	2
Cushing		2	2
High Mowing	1		1
Bement		2	2
Admiral Farragut	1		1
State Institution		1	1
At Home	3		3
Greenfield Schools	1		1
Greenfield Vocational	3		3
Mount Hermon	19		19
Northfield School for Girls		20	20
Northampton School for Girls		1	1
Totals	320	327	647

Report of Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

I herewith submit my third annual report.

The opening of school this year witnessed many changes in both personnel and property. Mrs. Judith Miles, teacher of grade four for four years, was granted a leave of absence in order to accompany her husband, who had been granted a fellowship for a year of study at the University of Michigan. Later in the summer, Mr. Robert Colby, sixth grade teacher, resigned to become Principal of the Warwick Elementary School. Mrs. Allison Kaufhold, a third grade teacher, requested an opportunity to replace Mrs. Miles in grade 4. This request was granted by the School Committee. Mrs. Marion Wahlstrom of Bernardston was hired to fill the vacancy thus created in grade 3. Mr. John Robinson of Wakefield, Massachusetts, took over the teaching assignments in grade 6.

Mr. Maurice Barrett, part-time custodian, resigned "because of other commitments." His vacancy was filled by Mr. Norman Holloway.

In addition to the personnel changes, two classrooms and the auditorium in the north building were painted. During Christmas vacation, two classrooms in the north building and one room on the lower corridor in the south building were painted. This begins a new cycle of classroom redecorating — a process which takes about six years to complete.

Beside the "face-lifting," 100 new metal folding chairs were purchased for the auditorium. These have added greatly to the beauty and versatility of the room.

A new social studies curriculum and text was adopted last winter. This new program has met with a high degree of success with both teachers and students.

During the fall and winter, all the elementary teachers in our school union have been attending workshops on "The Modern Approach to Mathematics." Twice each month the teachers have met for a 1½-hour workshop. This has been supplemented by an early closing of school one day each month in order to have a 3½-hour session. The purpose of this program is to acquaint teachers with the new approach in this area, in preparation for its ultimate adoption in our schools.

Mr. Robinson, our new sixth grade teacher, has had a great deal of interest in foreign languages. We are very pleased with the newly created German Club which he has formed and to which he serves as advisor. This has been a much welcomed addition to our curriculum.

Again this year, our school enrollment has increased. At the time of this writing, the school has 351 children. This represents a gain of nearly 20 children since the start of school in September. This increase is even more significant when we consider that 18 children with us in September have left. These facts indicate the tremendous mobility which our town is experiencing.

May I take this opportunity to extend an invitation to all parents to visit their schools. The school is an important part of your child's life. It should be an important part of yours.

The success of this year or any year can only be measured by the spirit of cooperation from the School Committee, administration, teachers, pupils, and parents. My many thanks for all the help which has been given during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL C. DEACON

Principal

Report of the Music Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

May I submit the report of the music program.

Because the growth in student ability has opened new horizons and expanded our aims, the demands of the music program are becoming difficult to accomplish with our limited personnel. The Spring Festival of the elementary schools will require two performances to use the numbers eligible to take part. More and more varied materials are necessary to meet the expanding needs of our children.

These results have been accomplished because of the continued efforts of the teaching staff and administration of Union 18.

A record player has been purchased which may be carried to — and used in — the various schools by the Supervisor. Supplementary books are being purchased for all schools to provide a background of music literature from which to draw.

All schools performed in programs for the public. The Northfield Center School presented a pageant in March. All of the schools took part in the May festival at the Pioneer Valley School.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS DREW

Music Supervisor

Report of Instrumental Music

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

Instrumental music instruction is offered to all students in the fifth and sixth grades, desiring to take up the study of a musical instrument. Weekly group-type instruction is offered.

Students are divided into two groups; advanced and beginners. Presently, thirty-six students are enrolled in the program.

The advanced students form an elementary band. This group participates in the Memorial Day parade and other school functions.

All students, advanced and beginners, take part in the annual spring music festival held at Pioneer Valley Regional School.

The program is a springboard for the more diversified music program being offered at Pioneer Valley Regional School.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE GANCARZ

Instructor

Report of the Art Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

I submit herewith my first annual report as Union Art Supervisor.

The primary and intermediate grades worked with a variety of media. In their watercolor projects I stressed proper brush handling and technique in color blending. Drawing ability was further developed in the students by having them execute a variety of drawing exercises such as contour and continuous line drawings. In general, I placed accent on developing skill of using their media and manual coordinatin in execution.

The junior high grades worked with water color, tempra paints and ceramics. Much time was devoted to the introduction of ceramics and I might add that the end results were quite gratifying.

The senior high students worked on a variety of projects. Each student was allowed to choose a phase of art, and with my guidance carry out the project on his own. Many students did oil paintings, while other small groups did fashion illustration, ceramics, automobile styling, and poster making.

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST C. MELLO
Art Supervisor

Report of the School Physician

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

The Health of the pupils in the elementary schools has been exceptionally good this past year. Fewer than usual have been out of school because of illness.

A preschool clinic was held in the spring for those entering schools in September, and physical examinations were given each child at the clinic. This provided the parents an opportunity to be present for their child's first physical examination.

In September and October the remainder of the kindergarten children, those not examined in the spring, and those children in the first, second and fifth grades were examined, as well as those new pupils to the school system. An unusually small number of defects were found at the examination this year, carious teeth being the most frequently found defect.

I wish to thank Mrs. Billings, the school nurse, and the teachers for their cooperation in the examination.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, M.D.
School Physician

Report of the School Nurse

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

I herewith submit my annual report as school nurse, December 1963.

The annual pre-school registration clinic was attended by thirty-four children and parents. Dr. F. Wilton Dean gave physical examinations to all, assisted by the nurse. Members of Fortnightly Community Service Committee and two Girl Scouts were also present to help.

Parent attendance was greater than usual as fifth and sixth grade girls saw the movie on personal hygiene. The role of the parents is stressed and it is gratifying to see a good response.

Again the Kiwanis Club made tooth brushes and paste available to kindergarten pupils. These were presented with a discussion on the proper method of brushing one's teeth. All other grades were issued the usual dental program forms.
In summary:

160 children received physical examinations
300 children had hearing tests
300 children had vision tests

233 were given immunization (Sabin oral polio vaccine)
3 children were referred to speech clinic
14 school pupils referred to dental clinic
351 pupils weighed and measured

Parents are notified of any physical ailment noted by school authorities. The nurse is available to discuss any problem arising from a health view point on appointment.

I wish to thank the school committee, Principal and Teachers and all other school personnel for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN BILLINGS, R.N.
School Nurse

Report of the Athletic Field

Appropriation		$400 00
Expenditures:		
Labor	140 22	
Repairs	35 58	
Supplies	18 04	
		193 84
Balance		$206 16

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Report

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Harold Johnson, Chairman	Leyden
Mr. Charles A. Morse, Vice Chairman	Warwick
Mrs. Carolyn Parenteau, Secretary	Northfield
Mrs. Elizabeth Bolton	Northfield
Mr. Charles W. Llewelyn	Northfield
Mr. Wendell E. Streeter	Bernardston
Mr. William E. Field, Jr.	Bernardston
Mrs. Anna Wilcox	Bernardston
Mrs. Marion Zimmerman	Leyden
Mrs. Dorothy Howes	Leyden
Mr. Lloyd V. Freitag	Warwick
Mr. Howard Keith	Warwick

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee and Citizens of Bernardston, Leyden, Northfield and Warwick:

I am pleased to present the seventh annual report of the operations and accomplishments of the Pioneer Valley Regional School. It hardly seems possible that our new building and school are that old. With few exceptions, the building has functioned very well indeed. Numerous building committees of other towns are still visiting our school to be used as a model for them to follow. Great surprise is expressed when these committees learn the age and cost of the school. This speaks very well for the planning, the types of materials used, the use given and the care taken by the custodians and by all who use the building. As of this date we have faced a minimum of trouble.

The report of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools granted Pioneer Valley Regional School full membership in that group. Thus, we have attained success in the majority of the aims and objectives of a comprehensive junior-senior high school.

In the report of Mr. Leonard, Principal, will be found the statistics that point out that we are approaching the capacity of our building. The design of the building is such that the addition or additions can be easily made at a minimum of cost. The idea that the Town of Gill might desire to join Pioneer Valley Regional School can be easily done as far as the building goes. Educationally, it will add to the size of the classes which will enable us to make more compatible sections and offer a more varied list of subjects. This growth would help each division of the school. It has been well established that 750 is the ideal size of a regional school. Whether Gill desires to be a partner or not, we must conduct exhaustive studies of our educational future.

CHANGES IN TEACHING PERSONNEL

Withdrawals

Mrs. Joan H. Coughlin	June, 1963
Mrs. Ruth B. Dow	June, 1963
Mr. Richard Martin	June, 1963
Mr. Brian Overdorff	October, 1963
Mr. Leslie Turner	June, 1963

Appointments

Mr. Robert C. Avakian	September, 1963
Mr. Robert W. O. Genest	September, 1963
Mrs. Jacqueline Gilman	September, 1963
Mr. Russell A. Goodwin	January 1, 1964
Mrs. Sylvia Liebenow	September, 1963
Mr. August C. Mello	September, 1963
Miss Karen J. Peterson	September, 1963

Leave of Absence

Mr. John R. Miles	School year 1963-64

The educational backgrounds and assignments of these new teachers may be found in the list of the faculty.

The task of staffing the school still remains as our number one job. Our building is attractive and the student body composed of willing and desirable students. The salary schedule is, in general, the same as many of our neighbors. Housing for these new teachers and their families presents a problem. After much searching locally, they are forced to go elsewhere for lodging. The very situation makes it difficult for them to take a full part in our school endeavors. If a solution could be found for this problem, it would make teaching in Pioneer Valley Regional School equal to any situation.

The Evening Practical Arts Course continued to thrive. This past year saw classes in rug hooking and braiding, sewing, chair caning, cake decorating, upholstery and knitting. There was no upholstery in the fall because of our inability to find a suitable teacher.

Again, I invite you to read the reports of the various departments of our school for further details of the total operation.

Also, I extend to you a cordial welcome to visit classes and extra-curricular events that you may see first hand the workings of our school. Success of any school comes from the total cooperation of all component parts. In general, this is a trademark of Pioneer Valley Regional School. I wish to thank all those who have in any way contributed to the fine success of Pioneer Valley Regional School during the year of 1963.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER
Superintendent of Schools

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL

Annual Report of the Principal — 1963

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee:

Herewith, I submit my seventh annual report as principal of this school.

Enrollment

Again, this year, I wish to emphasize our continued annual growth in enrollment. We are fast approaching the capacity of our building for which it was originally designed. At one time in the early fall we had an enrollment of 527, just one year's normal increase from the 550 capacity of the building.

May I point out that this figure would be a reasonable one if we were to limit the number of electives and control the number of students in each class. This figure, however, is not a reasonable one under our school philosophy of caring for all the educational needs of students in our comprehensive high school. During the past year it was necessary to drop two subjects because of the lack of available rooms and available teacher time. As we grow larger in numbers, it becomes necessary to have more classes of the required subjects and the more necessary and popular elective subjects. This takes more teachers and more rooms.

At the present time, we are making use of areas within the building not intended for classroom use for classes in English, science, social studies and math. These areas and their uses are:

Guidance waiting area — 1 class each in science, English and literature

Home Economic kitchen — 6 classes in science, 2 classes in English and 1 class each of math and social studies.

Library — 7 classes in English and 5 study halls.

Library Conference Room — 5 classes in English.

Music Room — 2 classes in science, 2 classes in literature.

Except during the junior high school lunch period, the cafeteria is being used each period of each day as a study hall. Although this is a general practice in most schools, it does not present the best in study conditions and interferes greatly with the janitors' work schedules.

Again, this year, I urge that a study be made into the possible future enrollments of our school and the need for added classrooms. This is in accordance with a recommendation of the evaluation committee. The class enrollments as of December 1, 1963, were:

								Totals
7P	34	7V	23	7R	31	7S	13	101
8P	30	8V	32	8R	31	8S	17	110
9P	23	9V	32	9R	20	9S	11	86
10P	24	10V	27	10R	21	10S	12	84
11P	27	11V	29	11R	21			77
12P	21	12V	27	12R	16			64

World Geography and World Affairs added as courses last year were not offered this year because of lack of teacher time and classroom space. Their need is definite and it is planned to include them, if possible, in future courses of study. Instead of both courses in first year algebra being presented with the modern approach, we now have one modern and the other traditional in accordance with parents' requests.

The enrollments, by subjects, in the high school classes are:

English 9	86
English 10	86
English 11	77
English 12	63
Speech 10	71
Speech 11	78
Latin I	39
Latin II	26
French I	37
French II	29
General Science	67
Biology	85
Chemistry	31
Physics	18
Physical Science	16
Government	19
World History	75
U. S. History	81
Prob. of Democracy	62
Algebra I	61
Algebra II	34
Geometry	37
Advanced Math	13
General Math 9	30
Business Math	15
Refresher Math 12	16
Agriculture 9 & 10	13
Agriculture 11 & 12	15
Industrial Arts 9	8
Industrial Arts 10	6
Industrial Arts 11	3
Industrial Arts 12	7
Senior Glee Club	40
Art	40
Homemaking 9	7
Homemaking 10	14
Homemaking 11	6
Homemaking 12	14
Typing I	85
Typing II	24
Office Practice	14
Bookkeeping I	28
Bookkeeping II	19
Shorthand I	18
Shorthand II	13
Phys. Ed. (Boys)	All
Phys. Ed. (Girls)	All
Junior Band	66
Senior Band	63
Driver Education	27

Commencement Program

The Reverend Donald Overlock of the Second Congregational Church in Greenfield delivered the Baccalaureate Address to a graduating class of forty-seven seniors on Sunday, June 9, 1963. His topic was "Everlasting Joy." The Prayer of Invocation was by The Reverend Jerome Wood. The Lesson was presented by The Reverend Billy Baker while the Benediction was delivered by the Reverend Harold Tallman.

Graduation was held on Friday, June 14, 1963 at 8:00 P.M. The program was as follows:

Processional: "God of Our Fathers"	Class of 1963
Pledge of Allegiance	Audience
Invocation	The Rev. Charles Bentley
Song — "Hol de Light"	Glee Club
Welcome	Duane Page, Pres. Class of 1963
Honor Essay — "The Hollow Men"	Gail Whitney

Honor Essay — "Honor"	Carol Olsen
Songs "Gaudeamus Igitur" — Student Song	Glee Club
"You'll Never Walk Alone" — Rodgers and Hammerstein	
Address	Dr. Franklin P. Hawkes Director of University Extension State Department of Education
"Signals for Youth"	
Special Awards	Prin. George M. Leonard
Gift of the Class of 1963	Duane Page
Awarding of Diplomas	Supt. F. Sumner Turner
Class Song	Words by Eileen Zehnter
Benediction	The Rev. James Mockler
Recessional "Pomp and Circumstance"	Class of 1963

The class officers and class roll were as follows:

President	Duane Page
Vice President	Brenda Billings
Secretary	Michaelyn Caron
Treasurer	Eileen Zehnter

Paul Francis Abbey
Christie Baldwin
Raelene Alice Bardwell
Linda Agnes Belsky
*Brenda Irene Billings
Clemma June Black
Richard Louis Browning
Thomas Andrew Cadrett
Thomas John Carey
Michaelyn Agnes Caron
*William Taylor Cook
Shirley Ann Cutler
*Doris Arlene Deane
*Martha Jane Fairman
Gordon Franklin Fogg
James Robert Fowler
William Roy Fritz
Philip Ralph Groyer
Gretchen Elizabeth Hammond
Norman Roy Herrick
Frederick Ian Holton
Thomas William Judd
Gerald Philip Lewis
Carol Eileen Lombard
Janice Esther Marcotte
Robert Howard McCollum, Jr.
Louise Marie McLellan
David Alan Miller
Nellie Ellen Moore
*Carol Dian Olsen
*Nancy Louise Ostrowski
Duane Everett Page
Marjjorie Ann Patch
David Alexander Pearsall
Lorraine Edna Porter
*Kathleen Frances Powers
Richard Alan Powers
Jerry Stuart Scott
Clara Mae Shepardson
Joyce Marie Smith
Bonita Darlene Thresher
*Judith Ann Townsend
Frederick Raymond Walbridge
*Gail Irene Whitney
Ronald John Wright
*Alfred William Young
Eileen Maria Zehnter

*Member of National Honor Society

Awards and Scholarships

Bernardston P. T. A. Scholarship of $100	Gail Whitney
Bernardston Men's Club Scholarship of $100	Gail Whitney
Pioneer Valley Union Teachers' Association Scholarship — 2 at $200	$200 — Paul Abbey $200 — Martha Fairman
Pioneer Valley P. T. A. Scholarship of $200	Judy Townsend
Bausch and Lomb Science Award (Excellence in Science)	Alfred Young
John Philip Sousa Award (Outstanding work in Instrumental Music and Band)	Paul Abbey Brenda Billings
D. A. R. Good Citizen Certificate (for dependability, leadership, service and patriotism)	Brenda Billings
Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow Award	Martha Fairman

Student Council Awards:

1. Highest Scholastic Standing	Judy Townsend
2. 2nd Highest Scholastic Standing	Doris Deane

National Honor Society Awards:

Brenda Irene Billings
William Taylor Cook
Doris Arlene Deane
Martha Jane Fairman
Carol Dian Olsen
Nancy Louise Ostrowski
Kathleen Frances Powers
Judith Ann Townsend
Gail Irene Whitney
Alfred William Young

Isaac B. Snow Awards (Two highest ranking students from Bernardston)

1. Judy Townsend
2. Doris Deane

Emily J. Jenness Awards (Bernardston)	
Best in English	Judy Townsend
Character	Carol Olsen
George A. Warner Award	Nancy Ostrowski
Special Athletic Award	Richard Powers

Twelve of the 47 students who graduated in June 1963 are now attending four-year colleges. Six of these are attending the

University of Massachusetts and we have one each enrolled at Bryant College, University of Wyoming, Bay Path, Northeastern, Lowell Tech., and Fitchburg State. This number represents more than 25% of the class. It is encouraging to note this high percentage attending four year colleges.

In addition to these, one is in nurses' training at Springfield Hospital, three are at Greenfield Community College, and one each have enrolled at Bryant and Stratton, Wentworth, Northampton Commercial and Stockbridge for two year courses. Seven boys are in the Armed Forces. One girl is at hairdressing school and one girl is attending I. B. M. School. Two students are taking post-graduate courses. Two girls are married while the other fourteen students are now employed in industry.

We believe that the foregoing shows that Pioneer is doing a good job in preparing its graduates for their positions in life.

Evaluation

As a result of the evaluation of late Fall, 1962, our school is now, officially, an accredited member of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. This is the only accrediting institution for all New England High Schools and means that our graduates will be accepted by all colleges in New England and the United States if the student's record meets the requirements of the individual college.

In Conclusion

The operations of the Pioneer Valley Regional School are becoming more complex each year. This requires the coordinated efforts of a great number of people. I am pleased to say that our school is operating quite smoothly. There are several areas that were pointed out in our evaluation that were in need of improvement. We are cognizant of these and are formulating plans that will bring about the necessary changes.

May I take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for the continued cooperation of all personnel responsible for the operations of the school. It is through the united efforts of all that will result in a better education for the students of our district.

Sincerely,

GEORGE M. LEONARD

Principal

REPORT OF SCHOOL FUNDS

STUDENT FUNDS

Balances on hand January 1, 1964

General Fund	$331 49
FFA	266 06
Student Council	242 51
Class of 1964	2825 99
Class of 1965	1414 01
Class of 1966	569 01
Class of 1967	259 55
Class of 1968	151 32
Class of 1969	141 75
Band	974 85
Journalism	514 00
Glee Club (deficit)	-503 77
Booster Club	57 38
Camera Club (deficit)	-22 83
National Honor Society	11 50
Art Club	23 25

Athletic Account — 1963

Balance on hand January 1, 1963		$303 86
Receipts:		
Admissions to basketball games	$467 40	
Admissions to football games	550 75	
Transportation Fund	182 50	
Total receipts	$1200 65	
Disbursements:		
Supplies	50 44	
Police	16 50	
Transportation	1175 30	
Total expenses	$1242 24	
Balance on hand January 1, 1964		$262 27

Football Insurance Account

Balance on hand January 1, 1963		$198 10
Receipts	$344 35	
Disbursements	368 35	
Balance on hand January 1, 1964		$174 10

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL FACULTY

NAME	SUBJECTS	WHERE EDUCATED
Mr. George M. Leonard	Principal	Bridgewater Teachers College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.
Mr. John T. Callahan	Asst. Prin. Chemistry Science	Keene Teachers College, B.Ed. Boston University, M.Ed. *University of Conn. *Holy Cross
Mr. William A. Nesbitt	Asst. Prin. Algebra, Geometry & Trigonometry	Springfield College, B.S., M.Ed.
Mrs. Edith Aldrich	English & French	University of Mass., B.S.
Mrs. Helen E. Atwood	Home Economics & Math 8	University of Mass., B.S.
Mr. Robert C. Avakian	English X & XII	Clark University, B.S.
Miss Nancy L. Blanchard	Social Studies 7 & 8	College of Our Lady of the Elms American International College, B.A.
Mr. Francis A. DeGrenier	Gen. Science 7 Biology	University of Mass., B.S.
Mr. H. Nelson Dyer	Physics, Algebra & Math 7	University of Mass., B.S. Ch.E.
M. Edward H. Forbush	Physical Ed. & Science 7 & 8	University of Mass., B.S.
Mr. Roger W. O. Genest	General Science	Keene State College, B.E.
Mrs. Jacqueline Gilman	Typing, I & II Office Practice	Bay Path Jr. College, A.Se. *Boston University *University of Mass.

Mr. Russell C. Goodwin	Voc. Agric.	University of New Hampshire, B.S.
Mrs. Beryle Hammond	Home Economics	University of N. H., B.S. *University of Mass.
Mr. John Hogan	Math. & Indr. Arts	North Adams State College, B.S.Ed. *Keene Teachers College
Mrs. Lois A. Humphrey	Physical Ed.	Sargent College, B.U., B.S. *Springfield College
Mr. Peter J. Kapolka	Social Studies	Worcester State College, B.S.Ed. *Assumption College *University of Mass.
Mrs. Sylvia Liebenow	Eng. 7 & 8 Literature	Middlebury College, B.A.
Mr. William S. Messer	Physical Ed. Social Studies	Springfield College, B.S. *University of Vermont
Mr. John A. Peters	English	Trinity College, B.A. *Fitchburg State College *Harvard University
Mrs. Frances Peters	English 7 & 8	Bridgewater State College, B.S.Ed. *University of Mass.
Miss Karen J. Peterson	English	University of Mass., B.A.
Mr. Ernest P. Pike	Guidance Dir.	Fitchburg State Teachers Col., B.S.E., M.E. *Boston University *Keene Teachers College *University of Mass. *University of Colorado *University Extension
Mr. Ronald M. Richards, Jr.	English, Speech Library	Worcester State Teachers College, B.S.E.

Mr. John C. Trumbull	Social Studies 8	University of Mass., B.A.
	World History	*Graduate School, University of Mass.
Mr. Linwood R. Wallace	Industrial Arts	Gorham State Teachers College, B.S.
		*University of Maine
		*University of Rhode Island
Mrs. Thelma K. Yeager	Latin I & II	Bates College, A.B.
	Eng. XI, Adv.	Boston University, M.A.
	Composition XII	University of Mass. Summer School
Mrs. Ruth M. Young	Shorthand I & II	American International Col., B.S., M.A.
	Bookkeeping I & II	*University of Mass., Extension
	Business Math	
Mr. August C. Mello	Art Supervisor	Massachusetts College of Art, B.S.Ed.
Miss Phyllis Drew	Music Supervisor	Crane School of Music
		*New York University
Mr. Eugene Gancarz	Instrumental Music	Boston University, B.M., M.M.

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*Attended without graduation

Principal's Secretary	Mrs. Harriet Wilmarth
School Nurse	Mrs. Dorothy Streeter, R.N.
School Doctor	Dr. Ansel B. True
Cafeteria Workers	Mrs. Agnes Wickey, Head Mrs. Nellie Barber, Mrs. Olive Stone
Custodians	Mr. Hing Der, Head Mr. John D. Ware

REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee:

May I submit the report of the music program.

Because the growth in student ability has opened new horizons and expanded our aims, the demands of the music program are becoming difficult to accomplish with our limited personnel. The Spring Festival of the elementary schools will require two performances to use the numbers eligible to take part. More and more varied materials are necessary to meet the expanding needs of our children.

These results have been accomplished because of the continued efforts of the teaching staff and administration of Union 18.

A record player has been purchased which may be carried to—and used in—the various schools by the Supervisor. Supplementary books are being purchased for all schools to provide a background of music literature from which to draw.

All schools performed in programs for the public. All of the schools took part in the May Festival at the Pioneer Valley School.

The Senior High School Glee Club travelled to Belchertown, Gill and Wilbraham. They also gave a Christmas concert and sang for Baccalaureate and Graduation.

The seventh and eighth grades of the Pioneer Valley Regional School were privileged to hear an organ recital at Sage Chapel by Mrs. Elizabeth Bolton.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS DREW

Music Supervisor

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee:

The instrumental music program at Pioneer Valley Regional School has a total enrollment of 129 students. From this group, 66 students form a junior band (grades seven and eight) and the remaining 63 students form the senior band (grades nine through twelve). Each band has two weekly scheduled practice periods.

The primary function of the junior band is to train members for the senior group. This is accomplished by following a defined outline course of study. The junior band also takes part in an annual spring concert.

The senior band program is more diversified. The senior band schedule is very busy and demanding. Hence, membership is on a competitive basis.

Some of the senior band activities include: performing at all football games, the Franklin County Fair, civic parades and functions, pep rallies, assemblies, music festivals, spring concerts and exchange concerts. The high light of the senior band program is the exchange concert. This involves overnight travel and making the acquaintance of a host of new friends from a distant community.

A 28 piece pep band is formed from the membership of the senior band. This group performs at all home basketball games. A 16 piece stage-dance band is also formed. This group performs in the very popular, annual Fall Follies Show. Training in this group prepares students for professional dance band work.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE GANCARZ

Instructor

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

For the report of the Pioneer Valley Regional School Art Supervisor see the Elementary Art Supervisor's report.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee:

First of all I would like to repeat that, according to law, the School Nurse cannot diagnose any illness or give any treatment, not even an aspirin tablet. These duties belong to the family doctor.

All students of grades seven and ten, new students and all students participating in sports were given physical examinations.

The Home Nursing course was taught for sixteen weeks to twenty-six girls.

Seven hearing test failures—all were accepted as correct referrals and are under treatment.

Eye test failures numbered forty-six. Follow up shows that forty-one of these have either gotten new glasses, new lens or have an appointment to do so.

Thirty members of the school personnel availed themselves of the privilege of having the three oral polio vaccine drinks and the personnel who had Asian flu shots last year, had booster shots this fall.

Every fall I turn over to the Guidance Department the names of any students in the eleventh and twelfth grades who have health problems or are in any way handicapped. In this way, these people can obtain the very best of counseling and it helps Mr. Pike to interest these students in job training or further schooling, working closely with the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission. This Commission helps handicapped students seek further education either vocational or college, and aids them financially. The aim of the Commission is to educate all handicapped people to support themselves and not be a burden to the town or state. The handicapped group includes people with physical and emotional disabilities, sugar diabetes, polio, epilepsy and other similar diseases.

I wish to thank all the school personnel for the patience and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY STREETER, R.N.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee:

The School Physician examined all children in the seventh and the tenth grades, and all children from any grade who were members of any athletic team or squad. Visual and auditory acuity examinations were carried out by the School Nurse. All health defects were reported to the parents for attention by their family physicians and reports were requested from the parents regarding the steps, if any, taken by them to remedy the faults.

The physician attended all home football games and rendered first aid to the injured players of both teams on the field.

Children becoming ill or sustaining injuries while at school were given first aid by the School Nurse or the teachers and the parents were called to take charge from that time forward.

Respectfully submitted,

ANSEL B. TRUE, M.D.

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

January 1, 1963—December 31, 1963

Balance on hand December 31, 1962:		
Capital	$ 2718 20	
Operational	52034 02	
School Lunch	1205 10	
Athletic Fund	460 66	
George Barden Fund ((Vo. Ag.)	690 51	
George Barden Fund (E.P.A.)	225 00	
National Defense Act Title III	116 13	
Reserve for Maturing Debt (Savings Deposits)	70486 40	
		$127936 02

Receipts

Capital:		
Reimbursementof Transportation	$42859 31	
Interest on deposits	2684 16	
Town of Bernardston assessment	12494 53	
Town of Leyden assessment	4314 66	
Town of Northfield assessment	23460 94	
Town of Warwick assessment	4674 21	
		$ 91416 16
Operational:		
Reimbursement of transportation	$ 42859 31	
Tuition and transp. State Wards	863 00	
Aid to Vocational Schools	1948 90	
Town of Bernardston assessment	69196 30	
Town of Leyden assessment	18788 40	

Town of Northfield assessment		111355 60	
Town of Warwick assessment		24745 70	
Tuition		2394 65	
Miscellaneous:			
Use of building	$273 36		
Sale of materials	8 16		
Town of Greenfield transportation	42 40		
Harold Lynde transportation	26 25		
Adult education	79 60		
E.P.A.	74 00		
Employer's Compensation	31 69		
Settlement of insurance claims	197 48		
Other receipts	52 33		
		785 27	
		$272937 13	
Reimbursement under National Defense Act Title III		1165 90	
School Lunches		19657 22	
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)		1341 00	
Trust Fund, Savings Account		340 16	
Trust Fund, Income		4 53	
Athletic Fund		1526 60	
			388386 70
Total receipts and holdings			$516322 72

Disbursements

Capital:		
Interst due May 1	$ 605 00	
Interst due November 1	550 00	
Interest due Janauary 1	12787 50	
Interest due July 1	12787 50	
Redemption of bonds 2.20%	5000 00	
Redemption of bonds 2.75%	70000 00	
		$101730 00
Operational:		
General Control	$ 8192 54	
Instruction	164751 12	
Student Supplies	4823 50	
Textbooks	2855 80	
Operation of School Plant	26861 19	
Maintenance	4323 36	

Auxiliary Agencies	11033 16	
Transportation	44969 25	
Adult Education	1165 00	
Franklin County Assessment (ret.)	1149 24	
New Equipment	3888 44	
		274012 60
School Lunches		20578 95
Athletic Association		1560 15
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)		1149 71
George Barden Fund (E.P.A.)		225 00
National Defense Education Act Title III		1218 20
Total Disbursements		$400474 61
Balance on hand December 31, 1963		
Capital	$ 2684 16	
Operational	50958 55	
School Lunches	283 37	
Athletic Fund	427 11	
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)	881 80	
National Defense Education Act, Title III	63 83	
Reserve for Maturing Debt (Savings Deposits)	60204 60	
Trust Funds, Savings Deposit	340 16	
Trust Funds, cash	4 53	
		115848 11
		$516322 72

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD A. KING

Treasurer

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

OPERATIONAL BUDGET

	Approp. 1963	Expend. 1963	Request. 1964
General Control:			
Superintendent's Salary	$ 3300 00	$ 3330 00	$ 3600 00
Secretary	2100 00	2431 01	2600 00
Telephone	550 00	591 07	550 00
Office Supplies	200 00	31 55	200 00
Treasurer's Expense	300 00	340 24	300 00

Counsel Fees	100 00	15 00	100 00
Treasurer's Salary	1100 00	1099 92	1200 00
Committee Expense	100 00	111 35	100 00
Supt. Travel	100 00	60 00	100 00
Auditing charge	325 00	182 40	325 00
Interest (loan in anticipation of revenue)			286 00
	$ 8175 00	$ 8192 54	$ 9361 00
Instruction:			
Salaries	$164000 00	$158528 71	$172000 00
Professional Improvement	500 00	400 00	500 00
Substitutes	1200 00	1530 00	1500 00
Driver Training	750 00	327 50	750 00
Secretary	2300 00	2198 24	2500 00
Extra Teacher	2500 00	1766 67	2500 00
	$171250 00	$164751 12	$179750 00
Supplies	$ 6000 00	$ 4823 50	$ 6500 00
Textbooks	$ 3000 00	$ 2855 80	$ 3000 00
Operation School Plant:			
Janitors' Salaries	$ 12000 00	$ 11113 91	$ 12400 00
Fuel	7000 00	6721 08	7000 00
Light and Power	6000 00	6144 31	6000 00
Janitor Supplies	2000 00	2215 56	2000 00
Snow Powing and Rubbish	400 00	666 33	400 00
	$ 27400 00	$ 26861 19	$ 27800 00
Maintenance	$ 4000 00	$ 4323 36	$ 4000 00
New Equipment	$ 4500 00	$ 3888 44	$ 4500 00
Auxiliary Agencies:			
Nurse	$ 900 00	$ 1025 92	$ 1200 00
Doctor	450 00	450 00	450 00
Sundry Ed.	800 00	1201 72	1000 00
Insurance	3000 00	2807 49	3000 00
Physical Ed.	200 00	69 74	200 00
Athletic Teams	4000 00	4181 66	4000 00
Library	1000 00	1269 97	1000 00
Visual Aids	300 00	26 66	300 00
	$ 10650 00	$ 11033 16	$ 11150 00
Transportation	$ 44000 00	$ 44969 25	$ 44000 00
County Assessment	$ 1150 00	$ 1149 24	$ 1339 00
Adult Education	$ 600 00	$ 1165 00	$ 600 00
	$280725 00	$274012 60	$292000 00

Total Operating Budget, 1964		$292000 00
Anticipated Revenue:		
Transportation	$42859 31	
Tuition	4000 00	
Reimbursement (Vocational Agriculture)	1341 00	
George Barden Funds	800 00	
Evening Practical Arts	275 00	
Adult Classes	100 00	
Appropriation from Surplus	10000 00	
		$ 59375 31
Net Operating Budget, 1964		$232624 69
Net Increase		$ 8538 69

Shares

	1963	1964
Bernardston	$ 69196 30	$ 73254 96
Leyden	18788 40	20208 27
Northfield	111355 60	114819 69
Warwick	24745 70	24341 77
	$224086 00	$232624 69

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

CAPITAL BUDGET

1964

Maturing debt, May		$ 5000 00	
Maturing debt, July		70000 00	
Interest:			
$ 55,000 May	$ 550 00		
50,000 November	495 00		
930,000 January	11825 00		
930,000 July	11825 00		
		$24695 00	
			$99695 00

Against this amount we are applying:		
State Aid Building Reimbursement		$43785 66
Appropriate from:		
E & D Surplus		
1963 Savings Interest		
Savings withdrawals	$2684 16	
Franklin Sav. Inst.	5151 62	

Greenfield Savings	5164 22		
		$13000 00	
			$56785 66
			$42909 34
Net Decrease			$ 2035 00

1964 Shares

Bernardston	27.8	$11928 80
Leyden	9.6	4119 29
Northfield	52.2	22398 68
Warwick	10.4	4462 57

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH

Net worth anuary 1, 1963			$1836 56
Cash Balance		$ 98 57	
Receipts:			
Student lunches	$13016 50		
Adult lunches	541 45		
Milk	534 21		
U.S.D.A.	5471 43		
Other	93 78		
		$19657 37	
Total Cash		$19755 94	
Disbursements:			
Food	$14515 54		
Labor	5734 40		
Other	522 47		
		$20772 41	
Cash balance		$ 1016 47 minus	
Cash balance		$ 1016 47 minus	
Inventory		1065 95	
U.S.D.A. Claims		932 99	
Net worth December 31, 1963			$ 982 47

Northfield Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the

TOWN HALL

in said Northfield on Monday the second day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year:

Town Clerk for one year, Town Treasurer for one year, Tax Collector for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Town Moderator for one year, one School Committee for three years, one member of Pioneer Valley Regional School District for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, one member of the Planning Board for five years, Tree Warden for three years.

The Polls will open at ten A.M. and close at eight P.M.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 3, 1964 at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the Reports of the several Town Officers and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1964, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws: any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1964.

Article 3. To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town, or act thereon.

Article 4. To see whether the Town will vote to fix the salaries of all elected officials for the calendar year 1964, raise and appropriate sums of money therefore and raise and appropriate further sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town and for other necessary charges.

The Finance Committee recommends as follows:

Selectmen		$ 1025 00
Chairman	$375 00	
Other members	325 00	
Expense		600 00
Welfare Board		275 00
Chairman	125 00	
Other members	75 00	
Assessors' Salary		1200 00
Each member	400 00	
Expense		375 00
Moderator Salary		25 00
Expense		15 00
Town Accountant		1050 00
Expense		85 00
Constable, Special Police Pay, Exp. & Equip.		1600 00
Fire Dept. Salaries		500 00
Operating Acct.		4500 00
Water Holes		400 00
Public Safety		50 00
Treasurer Salary		1000 00
Expense		450 00
Tax Collector's Salary		1000 00
Expense		900 00
Finance Committee Exp.		25 00
Town Clerk Salary		550 00
Expense		100 00
School Committee Salary		300 00
Each member	100 00	
P.V.R.S. Comm. Salary		300 00
Each member	100 00	
Planning Board Expense		200 00
Wire Inspector		50 00
Sealer of W. & M.		
Salary & Expense		200 00
Dog Officer & Expense		100 00
Nurse & Substitute		3200 00
Expense		75 00
Car Expense		200 00
Fence Viewers & Field Drivers & Pound Keeper		50 00
Fire Station Bonds		
Maturing Debt		3000 00
Interest		756 00
Fire & Casualty Ins.		7375 00
Elementary Schools		133859 00
P.V.R.S.D. Capital Budget		22398 68
P.V.R.S.D. Operating Budget		114819 69
Maintenance Athletic Field		400 00
General Relief		4000 00
Old Age Assistance		17000 00
Aid to Dependent Children		3000 00
Disability Assistance		1000 00
Medical Assistance to Aged		13000 00
Welfare Administration		400 00
Soldiers' Relief		2750 00
Legal Expense		250 00
Tree Trim & Plant		1200 00
Elections & Registrations		2000 00

Town Hall Maintenance	5000 00
Town Garage & Fire Station Maintenance	1900 00
Highway Supt. Expense	200 00
Highway Dept. Sick Leave Vacations & Holidays	1382 00
Tools for Highway Work	100 00
Snow Removal	9000 00
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans & St. Listings	100 00
Public Health	1500 00
Inspection of Animals	200 00
Insp. Meat & Slaughter	50 00
Alexander Hall	250 00
Interest	300 00
Land Damages	650 00
Town Clock	100 00
Town Reports	1000 00
Foreclosure Cost Tax Titles	150 00
Prot. Tax Title Property	25 00
Memorial & Veterans' Day Observance	350 00

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as clerk of the Board under the provisions of Section 4a, Chapter 41, of the General Laws, and to raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money to pay the salary of such clerk or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends $900.00.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for printing tax valuation books or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

The Finance Board recommends $1,000.00.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and other miscellaneous equipment or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,700.00.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Fire Department to purchase ten new tires for the Reo Tanker Fire Truck.

The Finance Committee recommends $600.00.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used to combat Dutch Elm Disease, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $3,000.00.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for insect pest control, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $500.00.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense Purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $100.00.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with Board of Public Works, Division of Highways for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $4,950.00 and to transfer $18,150.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $7,000.00 for the Town's share, transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of $21,000.00 for the State and County's share and $9,014.80 to be transferred from the proceeds under Chapter 822 of the Acts of 1962.

Article 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Maintenance, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate $2,000.00 and transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of $4,000.00 for the State and County's share.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Maintenance Account the sum of $7,000.00, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Board recommends

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for bridges, railings and highway work, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends $3,000.00.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used to purchase a new highway dump truck, portable sander body, framework to support sander body, mountings for snow plow and other equipment for truck as necessary, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends $8,800.00.

Article 18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the repair of existing sidewalks, and for new construction, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $500.00.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to take any action relative to the acquisition of the assets of the Northfield Water Company or the creation of a water district servicing the same area now covered by said company and to authorize the Selectmen to engage legal counsel to carry out any vote so taken or act thereon.

Article 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for hydrant service for 16 hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Company, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $400.00.

Article 21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $150.00.

Article 22. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library.

The Finance Committee recommends $6,500.00.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the money received from the County, known as the "Dog Fund" for the use of the Dickinson Memorial Library or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the friends and family of Mrs. William P. Stanley the sum of $305.00 to be left at interest and only the interest used by the Dickinson Memorial Library to purchase books. This fund to be known as the Stanley Book Fund.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept any sum of money from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a grant providing state aid for free public libraries under the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 and to appropriate the exact sum so received for its public library or libraries, pass any vote or vote in relation thereto or act thereon.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs and maintenance of the Northfield Museum and Number Four School House, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $100.00.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars with the Cemetery Commissioners to purchase markers to hold flags on veterans' graves at all Northfield Cemeteries or take any vote or votes thereto.

The Finance Board recommends $350.00.

Article 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money to finance a summer playground for the children of Northfield and authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to make provision for the same, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $500.00.

Article 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00.

Article 30. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and preservation of cemeteries, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $2,600.00.

Article 31. To hear the report on Sewage by the Planning Board, or act thereon.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of, by sale or otherwise, the outmoded school furniture, books and other articles stored in the attic of the north building of the Northfield Elementary School, or take any action thereon.

Article 33. To present to the Town the School Committee's Special Report of the heating situation in the north building of the Northfield Elementary School, or take any action thereon.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a typewriter for use of the Town Treasurer, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

The Finance Board recommends $200.00.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of $100.00 from Mrs. Marion Fish Giersbach for perpetual care of lot 54½ in Mount Hermon Cemetery.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Overlay Reserve, a sum of money for a Reserve Fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1963 Tax Rate, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to transfer $15,000.00.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices at Northfield and East Northfield, Barnes Service Station in West Northfield, and Field Library at Northfield Farms in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-four.

CORYS M. HESELTON

ROBERT B. SHEARER

DWIGHT P. STEARNS

Selectmen of Northfield

A true copy. Attest:

Constable.

FACTS ABOUT WESTWOOD

Incorporated	[illegible]
Population	[illegible]
Form of Government	[illegible]
Tax Rate [illegible]	[illegible]
Number of Dwellings	[illegible]
Real Estate Valuation	[illegible]
Personal Property	[illegible]
Public Schools	[illegible]
Private Schools	[illegible]
Fire Protection	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Public Libraries	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Water Supply	[illegible]

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR [illegible]

[illegible]

Article 32. [illegible] to the Town the School [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible] of the [illegible] Elementary School, or take any other action.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a [illegible] for use of the Town [illegible], or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

The Budget Committee recommends [illegible].

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of [illegible] from Mrs. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the perpetual care of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate [illegible] a sum of money for a [illegible] Fund for the [illegible], or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from [illegible] available funds in the Treasury to be used by the [illegible] in [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible].

The Budget Committee recommends [illegible].

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy [illegible] at the [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this [illegible] day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and [illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Selectmen of [illegible]

A true copy. Attest:

Constable

FACTS ABOUT NORTHFIELD

Incorporated	1723
Population	2320 (1960)
Form of Government	Town Meeting
Tax Rate, 1963	$100.00
Number of Dwellings	760
Real Estate Valuation	$2,772,765.00
Personal Property	$256,485.00
Public Schools	Elementary School Pioneer Valley Regional School
Private Schools	The Northfield School for Girls Linden Hill School, Inc.
Fire Protection	Three Fire Engines—Phone 521
Town Highways	67 Miles
Public Libraries	Dickinson Library Field Library at Northfield Farms
Altitude	309 ft. (at Town Hall)
Rail Roads	Boston & Maine Central Vermont
Water Supply	East Northfield Water Co. Northfield Water Co. Dry Swamp Aqueduct Co.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR 1964

FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
EIGHTH COUNCILLOR DISTRICT
FRANKLIN-HAMPSHIRE SENATORIAL DISTRICT

UNITED STATES SENATORS
Leverett Saltonstall   Edward M. Kennedy

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
Silvio O. Conte

GOVERNOR
Endicott Peabody

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
Francis X. Bellotti

COUNCILLOR
Ray Sullivan

STATE SENATOR
Charles A. Bisbee, Jr.

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
Winston Healy

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Thomas Herlihy, Chairman
Frank Reed   Wendell Streeter